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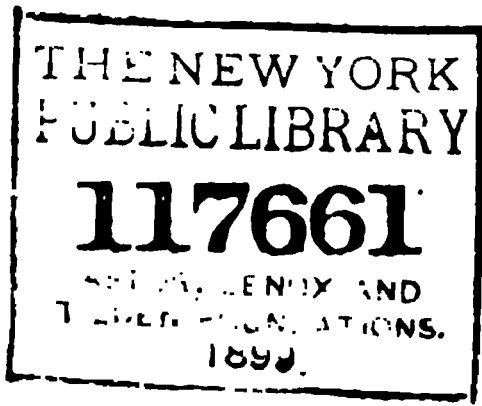
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## OPENING SERVICE.

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St. John's Church, Troy, N. Y.,

Tuesday, January 15, A. D. 1878.

This being the place designated by the Bishop of the Diocese, and the day appointed by the Constitution, for the meeting of the Tenth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Albany, the Bishop, and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in St. John's Church, at half-past ten o'clock in the morning. Morning Prayer was said, the Reverend Dr. Lord, and Messrs. J. W. Paige, J. B. Pitman, and W. H. Cook, officiating.

The Bishop of the Diocese administered the Holy Communion, being assisted in the service by the Reverend Doctors Bostwick, Reese, and Tucker, and Archdeacons Payne, Pecke, and Carey, and Mr. J. W. Stewart.

The Bishop then delivered his Annual Address, with the exception of that portion which contained the details of his visitations:

If I took any text, to-day, for the purpose of giving a sermon shape to that part of my Address, which I propose to deliver, now, at this opening session of the Convention, it would be that strange combination, that almost contradiction, of God's message to Israel in the wilderness, by the mouth of Moses: "Stand still, and see the salvation of God,"—"Speak to the children of Israel, that they go forward." I find myself again, in the position of the Convention preacher, not from any personal desire to be the Mercurius, the chief speaker of this Body; but, simply, because, magnifying my Office, I believe, there is value in the Bishop's speaking to his gathered clergy and laity, because he is the Bishop. And, at the same time, you will notice, that with much to say, it is less tedious for you to hear it in two parts, than all at once; and that an address, in two halves, occupies less time in hearing, than a whole Address and a sermon beside. The older clergy will recognize, and those who are newly here will notice the Address is simply a familiar talk about



the year's work in the Diocese, and a frank statement of my views about questions of general interest to the Church at large.

When we have gleaned over our harvest field of personal memories, and recalled those who do not gather at our Annual Feast to-day, because God has taken them to His own garner, I set myself to speak to the workers, of our yearly work together, in which we have been planters and waterers, while God has given the increase: and then to speak to you of the General Convention, whose session, held since we met last year, makes it freshly prominent and important to us all.

Our dead, this year, are many, and much missed from our gathering here, and far more from the desolated homes and the bereaved Parishes that will know them no more.

The Rev. John V. Hughes entered into life, in Gilbertsville, Otsego county, on the 26th of June, A. D. 1877, at the ripe age of seventy-four. By birth a Welshman, a graduate of Cheshunt College, England, he came to America, in 1829, and was ordained Deacon, in 1832, and Priest, in 1836, by Bishop Onderdonk, of New York. Within a year after his ordination to the Diaconate, Mr. Hughes, although officially Missionary at New Berlin, was at work in Gilbertsville, building up the Parish, in which he was ordained Priest, in which he served last, and in which he died. It was a characteristic feature of the man. He was tireless and insatiable in work. His iron frame resisted fatigue and exposure, which would have killed most men; and when the majority of Priests account themselves aged and infirm, his zeal was so young, and his will so strong, that he would not lay off his harness, could not confine himself within the traces even, but must be off and outside, at some active, aggressive, extra service for the Church. The mantle of "Father Nash" fell upon him. He was not sent out, as most of us feel, but, in the strong word of the Greek, he was *thrust* out. The necessity was laid upon him. And there is hardly a square inch of Otsego county, hardly a hamlet in it, that was not familiar with the presence of this earnest man of God. "In season and out of season," and in all sorts of seasons, snow, wind, storm, cold, heat, he was instant in his Master's work. And he has left behind him eminent seals of success, and an enviable memory for devotion and service, in the Churches at Gilbertsville, Otsego, West Burlington, Mount Upton, and Richfield, all of which he either built, improved, or repaired; and, also, among the people of Otsego and Herkimer counties, where he served. I was absent on my Northern Visitation when he died, and could not be at his burial. But I remember gladly now, the half hour of prayer and conversation at his bedside, when I visited the Parish, on the first of June. And I record my reverent regard for a faithful servant of our common Master, who worked while it was called to-day, and has left behind a goodly example for us all to follow.

In a very different sphere and station, another man has gone from unwearied and unselfish labor, to rest and to reward, leaving behind him an unstained and honourable name. The Hon. John V. L. Pruyn died on the 21st of

November. Mr. Pruyn's life was one of manifold importance, and his death makes an emptiness, which we were not left till now to discover. He was a public-spirited man, in every sense of the word. In educational interests, in the public charities, in the advancement of literary culture, in the promotion of the arts, in the adornment of the city, he was the foremost man in Albany ; as the Board of Regents, the State Board of Charities, the Albany Institute, and the Capitol (as it might have been), bear witness ; and he illustrated with his accustomed dignity and liberality, his sense of the value of religious education, in his office as the first, and so far the only President, of St. Stephen's College, Annandale. He was the Gaius of Albany, the host, the entertainer, the gentleman who did the honors of the city to strangers and to friends. And he was an earnestly, conscientiously religious man. His studies, and his tastes, led him not merely into an interest in pottery and pictures, and antiques, but into liturgics and Church architecture, and ecclesiastical polity as well. I remember well, his interest in the use of the Bidding Prayer in the Cathedral, his knowledge of the authorship of the Prayers in the Liturgy, which few clergymen care to know ; his suggestion, which I gladly carried out, of a form of prayer for the Governor, and State Legislature, and of a collect for the New Year ; and his admiration for that beautiful prayer of Bishop Taylor's, in the Visitation Office, upon whose urgent words, borne up upon the trembling voice, he loved the best on earth, his soul was lifted into Paradise out of a body weary and worn out by unselfish labors ; "in the Communion of the Catholic Church, in the confidence of a certain faith, and in the comfort of a reasonable, religious and holy hope."

I think it altogether to the honor of my friend, to say that he withdrew himself from places of position and trust, which the Diocese would gladly have given him, upon a point of principle, on which we differed strongly ; the separate vote of the Bishop, as a separate order, in the Convention of the Diocese. Some of you will remember, the positive ground of objection, which, with others, Mr. Pruyn took about this matter, in our Convention in 1870. He was courageous, not only, but consistent in his convictions. And in no pettishness or irritability, but because he thought our organic constitution wrong, he never allowed himself to be a member of the Convention afterwards. His absence was a great loss, but it was to his honor, that he adhered to and acted out his principles ; as, I believe, even at such a cost, the principle established is a gain to us. It never lessened Mr. Pruyn's interest in the Church, his generous gifts to the Diocese ; and, I thank God, among innumerable delightful recollections of personal kindness, and gracious hospitality and courtesy, it never, for an instant, disturbed the pleasant relations between us as neighbors and friends. And I have good reason gratefully to recall, just when and where, I saw him last, on the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, in the ward of the Child's Hospital. He had come to be with us, at our keeping of the Feast ; doubly ours there, from the legend of the Gospel on our outer wall ; and from the fact that we broke ground on that day for the new building ; and he had come to make it doubly a feast, by his gracious gift of a cabinet organ, with this most touching and fitting inscription :

1877.

THE GIFT OF KITTY PRUYN.

For the use of the Child's Hospital,  
Established by "The Corning Foundation for Christian Work,  
In the Diocese of Albany."

To cheer and relieve in duty, and to aid in the  
Worship and service of Almighty God.

"Who being dead yet speaketh."

Hebrews 11 : 4.

St. Michael and all Angels.

I am glad to remember him so ; in that side of his nature, which was so rich with tender human sympathy, with unselfish concern for the relief and comfort of others ; and to feel assured, that in the Day of God, he will be "remembered for good" for all the work he did, for City, State, Country, and the Church, faithfully discharging, his place in that "wonderful order of service," which God has "ordained and constituted" for "Angels and men."

I put these two men together, who were widely apart in life, because they are the two most prominent of the honored dead this year ; the one ennobling poverty, and the other consecrating wealth ; and each in his sphere alike unselfish in the service of the same dear Lord, who "being rich, for our sakes became poor."

There have been leading and important Laymen taken away besides. Mr. Whitney, of Essex, was a true lover of the Church, and always its generous, faithful, willing worker. Mr. Botsford, of Coxsackie, was a man wise in counsels, unsparing in gifts of time and means, and identified since ever I knew the Diocese, by relationship and representative position, and honourable service in its interests. And of "honourable women," not a few have passed away. The death of Mrs. Ross, of Essex, removes a land-mark. ~~The old-time dignity of her presence added to the charm of her hospitality, which more Bishops than she,~~ and all the Clergy of the North, will long remember gratefully. Old Mrs. Hedding was an earnest lover of the Church, ~~who never faltered~~ under any discouragements, and never failed in word or deed, or self-denial, that could advance the Master's Work. ~~Ellenburgh is not without her.~~ Mrs. Cookson leaves the fragrance of a beautiful memory behind, in the little All Saints Chapel in Hudson, which she dearly loved, and in the hearts and homes of the poor and rich, who dearly loved her. The old home in Brush's Mills, that always makes me welcome, lies under a sacred shadow, in the death of Mrs. Corbin Brush, true in every instinct, with every energy, to the interests of the Church. Miss Saily's death has bereft Plattsburgh and its Rector of the most capable, self-forgetting, intelligent, devout worker that Parish or Priest could have. The death of Mrs. Ogden, of Waddington, severs a link, and almost breaks the chain which united this, with the last generation ; and takes away not an old-time lady only, with all the charm of gracious dignity the words suggest, but a devout

and devoted Christian woman, and a dear and honoured friend of mine. A very gentle, gracious, valuable fellow-helper has been taken from St. Agnes School, in the death of Mrs. Marshall. More people than her Bishop will long and greatly miss from Schenectady the devoutness and dignity of Miss Anna Paige's presence and participation in all that concerned the Church there and elsewhere. Not Stockport only, but the Diocese, not his family only, but I most deeply feel the death of Captain Gideon Lathrop, for many years warden of St. John's; a quiet, kindly, genial, courteous man, whose very presence was a pleasure. Earnest and honest and energetic, staunch for the Church always, he was one of those Laymen whose religion was not a cloak, to be put on and off, and cover up something sometimes, but a *habit* that fitted him gracefully, because he *always* wore it.

And of my own sorrow, coming just where a man can be most deeply wounded, through those he loves the best, I only speak, to say, how grateful to me and to mine the sympathy has been, which my Clergy especially have graciously and generously extended to me. Oh my brethren, Clerical and Lay, I am writing among the solemnities of Advent; and I shall be reading this among the splendours of the Epiphany; and the lesson of both seasons in the Church is the same: in what strange guises God veils His manifestations, and how suddenly the Lord will come. Knit us together, oh Divine Master, more and more on earth "in unity of spirit, and in the bond of peace," that we may be more and more one, in Thee, with all thy faithful living and departed, on earth, in Paradise, in Heaven.

On Tuesday, January 9th, the Ninth Annual Convention of the Diocese assembled in the Chapel of our Cathedral. I delivered my second charge, on "the like-mindedness of believers."

I celebrated the Holy Communion assisted by the Rev. Dr. Reese and Mr. Temple, and by the four Canons of the Cathedral. Morning Prayer was previously said by the Reverend Archdeacon Pecke, and Messrs. Terry, Edmunds and Irish. Seventy-eight clergymen and deputies from seventy-seven parishes were present at the opening session, and the number was afterwards increased. It was an earnest, working, cordial Convention, throughout. The missionary service and meeting in the evening was spirited and admirable. The addresses of Dr. Lord and Mr. Norton, gave, one, the philosophy, and the other, the pith of missionary duty; and the speaking afterwards, was wide-awake and to the point. And the difference between words and deeds, has not been, thank God, this year, nearly as great as in the years gone by. On the second day, after the early Celebration by the Archdeacons of the Convocations of Albany and the Susquehanna, the Convention entered upon its work. The proposed amendment to the Constitution, recognizing the Cathedral, passed, at any rate, *nemine contradicente*. It contains, in simplest shape, the whole gist and principle of the matter, and, if ratified, as I trust it will be, by this Convention, will put this Diocese, where I confess I like to have it, in the forefront of the American Church, as to the *constitutional* relation of the Cathedral to the Diocese. God has given to others, the great privilege of noble buildings,

and larger material foundations. But the idea, the constitutional acknowledgment, the complete organization, the practical working, the associated institutions of school and hospital and sisterhood, and the choral worship are here, and were here, and were here first, as they are nowhere else. I am glad to hope that in His own good time, God will give us the shell, and give to others the pearl, so that we may all be complete in Him. It will not be out of place here for me to record, my great satisfaction, that my dear brother, the Bishop of Maine, has been permitted, after years of patient and unflagging labor, to consecrate his Cathedral in Portland; and also to mention here, what it seems to me, American churchmen have been very slow to recognize, the noble material gifts for building and endowment which have come to the Diocese of Long Island for the Cathedral of the Incarnation. Such a gift infinitely honours the giver; preserves as in amber, the memory, which it perpetuates; and is matter of grateful congratulation through the Church at large. I greatly crave for some one, not the dead commemoration, but the living satisfaction, of the builded Cathedral in Albany.

During the session of Wednesday, a meeting of the General Chapter of the Cathedral was called, when Mr. Banks and Mr. Evans, whose terms had expired, were re-elected. And after the adjournment of the Convention, the evening was most pleasantly passed in the enjoyment of Mr. and Mrs. Corning's gracious and generous hospitality. The next day, the Board of Missions and I spent very sadly in contriving economy. I am not quite sure who Pharaoh is nowadays, though I have a strong opinion. The Board had to play his hateful part to the Missionaries, but I think it was first played to the Board. We had to ask the Clergy to work the missions and fill their own mouths, without much stipend. But it was because the insufficient offerings of the Church people first set the Board to "making its bricks without straw."

January 18. Called to Cooperstown to marry one of my clergy; I was glad of the opportunity afforded of an extra and unexpected visit to Bede Hall and the Orphan House.

January 20, I presided at a special meeting of the Board of Missions, called to consider the transfer of the Bishop's house to the Cathedral. Although authorized to make the transfer, I have done nothing about it yet, for the simple and sufficient reason that the Cathedral discharges its full share of responsibility, in this behalf, in paying the interest on the mortgage of \$8,500; which, both principal and interest, the Chapter has assumed. What is left beyond this, is a house out of repair, which is a constant source of expense to me, and a still more constant source of mortification; for, in spite of my earnest effort and appeal, the other churchmen of Albany decline to discharge their honourable obligation to Mr. Perry, for the debts incurred by him in the purchase and alteration of the house for whose payment he has not only patiently waited, but generously offered to contribute much more than his share. I confess that nothing but necessity induces me to occupy the house, an hour. If I could live, as St. Paul did, "in my own hired



house," or if I had not cast out anchors at the stern and at the bow, I would not go back to it to-morrow. And I feel not only free but bound to say, that the non-payment of the money to the Board of Missions to cancel the note by which they paid back taxes, and the unlifted load of debt upon the house itself, are most discreditable to all concerned. If I were a layman and loved my Bishop, I would not subject him to this discomfort; and if I were a layman, and did not love my Bishop, I would not expose the Church to this dishonour.

January 23, P. M. In the Congregational House of Worship, in Mineville, I preached and confirmed seven persons; and at night, in Christ Church, Port Henry, I preached and confirmed fourteen persons, and one more at the early Morning Prayer on Wednesday. A second confirmation, in these two places, made even this large number larger still.

January 24. The Archdeacon having said Morning Prayer, early, I preached at the second service, and ordered Deacon, Mr. Charles Edwin Cragg, presented by the Rev. Mr. Woodbridge; and Priest, the Rev. Charles Arthur Bragdon, presented by Archdeacon Pennell, the four Priests uniting in the laying on of hands; and I celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Cook and McElroy. It was a very striking service in every way, and in marked and marvellous contrast to the loneliness and coldness of my first service here five years ago, and so, a strong tribute to God's blessing on the untiring and devoted faithfulness of Mr. Woodbridge.

February 2. Feast of the Presentation. The ninth anniversary of my consecration. I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion in the Cathedral, with some grateful and tender memories, and many anxious, thankful recollections of the day.

February 4, P. M. In St. Luke's Church, Troy, I preached and confirmed sixteen persons. At night I was present at a very spirited meeting in St. Paul's Church, Troy, in connection with the anniversary of the Church Home. From February 2nd to the 6th, I was present at the examinations of St. Agnes School.

February 11. Quinquagesima Sunday. I preached in Grace Church, Albany.

February 13. In the presence of many of the clergy and many friends, I opened the new Child's Hospital, with infinite thankfulness. It is what God has wrought. The gifts of Christian people in Albany and elsewhere, with the generous help of the children of the Diocese, have accomplished what is wonderful in our eyes. The building is completely paid for, costing more than \$14,000, and that, in these hard times. It was flooded with sunshine, and fragrant with flowers, which were fit symbols of the gracious Charity—God's love and men's—lighting and lightening, and making sweet with sacrifice, the suffering, which is the most mysterious, of the little children who are so helped and so happy here. I cannot speak too warmly of the admirable success of the house, its exquisite neatness and perfect ventilation, and its sunny cheerfulness. Its admirable adaptation to its purpose is due largely, to my

good friend Mr. Thomas Fuller, the architect. I do not think it could be better planned. The nursing in it, by the Sisters, for love's sake, is beyond either price or praise. The managers have given of their time and thought and means, most lavishly. And it has touched a thousand chords of sympathy, whose response echoes perpetually in the wards ; in the memorial beds, so many bearing the names of little children gone to Paradise ; and in an organ, in the name of a little child, long ago safe amid its songs. Innumerable comforts and conveniences ; the constant visitors, and the stated gifts of time, by ladies coming to teach ; continuous gifts of money and of material of various kinds ; all these God has multiplied to us, without measure. It is, I think, a complete and a secured success. It has found its way to the hearts of people through the Diocese, and it has ministered intense consolation and relief to very many children. Extending its benefaction freely, and throughout the whole Diocese, to any sufferer, anywhere, with no distinction at all, it is, of course, a continuous and constant claim upon all our Church people everywhere. I commend it, with a daily deepening confidence and interest, to your sympathy and support. In this connection, I am glad to record that in response to my appeal for "a Child's Hospital" offertory, on one of the Sundays in Advent, the Sunday Schools (a fair proportion of them being represented) have already sent in to the Treasurer, nearly \$600.

February 14, P. M. Ash Wednesday. In St. John's Church, Troy, I preached ; all the clergy of the city, and a very large congregation being present.

February 24. St. Matthias' day, in the Church of the Advent, Boston, I baptized an infant, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

February 25. Preached in Grace Church, Newton, Mass., rejoicing to find Mr. Shinn in his beautiful church, and most successful work.

March 8. Confirmed one person, in private, from Holy Innocents' Parish, Albany.

March 9. Confirmed, in private, three persons, from St. Paul's Parish, Albany.

March 14, P. M. In St. Andrew's Mission, West Troy, I said Evening Prayer, and preached.

March 18, at night. In the Church of the Messiah, Greenbush, I preached the first sermon of a week's Mission.

March 25. Sunday before Easter and the Feast of the Annunciation. In St. Peter's Church, Albany, I preached, celebrated the Holy Communion, and confirmed seventeen persons.

At night, in St. Paul's Church, Albany, I preached, and confirmed forty persons.

March 27. Tuesday, in Holy Week. In the afternoon, in Trinity Church, Albany, I preached, catechised the children of the Sunday School, and confirmed seventeen persons.

March 29. At night, in the Church of the Holy Innocents, Albany, I preached, and confirmed fifteen persons.

March 31. Easter Even. At night, in the Cathedral Chapel, I preached and confirmed twenty-nine persons, ten being from St. Agnes School.

April 1. Easter Day. At night, in St. Paul's Church, Troy, with a crowded and earnest congregation, and a very noble service, I preached, and confirmed thirty-two persons.

April 2, P. M. In Trinity Church, West Troy, I preached, and confirmed twelve persons. Mr. Oberly is carrying on, with equal energy and success, two Missions, St. Andrew's and St. Gabriel's, within the bounds of his parish.

April 8. First Sunday after Easter. In St. John's Church, Troy, I preached, confirmed forty persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. The class was remarkable in very many ways, and the whole service a gracious inauguration of my dear brother's rectorship.

At night, in the Church of the Holy Cross, Troy, I preached, and confirmed twenty-one persons.

April 9, P. M. In Grace Church, Waterford, I preached, and confirmed two persons.

April 11, P. M. In Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, I preached, and confirmed nine persons.

April 12. The Board of Missions met, and we proceeded again to reduce Stations, and diminish salaries.

P. M., in the Church of the Messiah, Greenbush, I preached, and confirmed seven persons.

April 13, P. M. In the Free Church of the Epiphany, Bath, I preached and confirmed thirteen persons.

April 15. Second Sunday after Easter. At night, in Christ Church, Troy, I preached and confirmed forty-one persons, a class not only remarkable in numbers, but more remarkable in the ages, position and character of its members, indicating, not recent, but long and earnest labor, finding, at length, its return.

April 19. I met a Committee of the Legislature, in reference to a proposed change in the Act of Incorporation of the Church, in New York. It is a curious commentary upon the misfortune of the utter separation of the five Dioceses, in this State, that no joint protest could be brought to bear upon the Legislature, with the weight of united influence, to stop this pernicious thing. By some inexplicable process, the bill was fairly in the Governor's hands for signature, although its progress had been arrested in both Houses. It is certainly an open door to serious evils, if a carefully considered act of such organic character, prepared by consultation among, and passed by petition of, the ecclesiastical authorities and leading men of the five Dioceses, can come so near a vital alteration, at the instance of an individual of more or less influence. The only remedy is in the existent organization of the Province, which, please God, will come in time. Meanwhile, we have rigged a jury mast, by which, I hope, we may escape shipwreck, in a joint petition from either the Conventions or the Standing Committees of the Dioceses, that no alteration

may be made, by the Legislature, in an Act common to us all, without the asking by, at least, a majority of the Diocesan Conventions. I ask the Convention to adopt such a petition this year. The action of the Standing Committee of this Diocese, which I herewith transmit, was wise and well timed.

April 22. Fourth Sunday after Easter. In St. George's Church, Schenectady, I preached, confirmed sixteen persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. The new altar, with its beautiful reredos, is a very lovely gift. Like all the changes in the dear old Church, it has been made to fit in with the old, and it is full of tender memories and teachings of the Communion of Saints. The inscription tells the pious love that set it in here, in memory of a man departed in the faith and fear of Christ, and adds the instinctive utterance of all sorrowing and believing hearts: "I believe in the Communion of Saints;" "Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints, in glory everlasting;" "Thy Kingdom come."

In the afternoon, the gathered children, with their banners and carols, came in procession, to a catechetical service, in which they showed their training; and added a generous gift, spontaneously gathered in a very short time, for the Child's Hospital. It was a beautiful sight and service; a symbol of what always strikes me here, the abundant, new, fresh life in this old Parish.

In the evening, in Christ Church, Schenectady, at a stirring service and with a congregation that filled Church and sacristy, seats and standing room, I preached and confirmed six persons. The work here is rooting strongly, and going on well.

April 23, A. M. In Zion Church, Fonda, I preached, confirmed one person, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

At night, in St. John's Church, Johnstown, I preached and confirmed eight persons.

April 24, A. M. In a hall in Gloversville, I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion. There were almost sad tokens of a little life, too little, I fear, to live. A few earnest people are left. But there is general discouragement and indifference.

At night, in Christ Church, Herkimer, I preached and confirmed twenty-one persons. This is strong growth, and large growth, in hard soil, and it means not good seed only, but good sowing, too. It is partly the result of work in Mohawk, where there is excellent promise, not of any separate work, but of care from Herkimer, returning itself by the strengthening of the Parish there.

April 25, St. Mark's day, A. M. In St. Augustine's Church, Ilion, I preached, confirmed fourteen persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. A simple, hearty, earnest service, as always.

In the evening, in Immanuel Church, Little Falls, I preached, confirmed nine persons, and baptized two adults.

April 26. In the little Chapel, at Fort Plain, I preached, confirmed one person, and celebrated the Holy Communion. In the afternoon, in the Church

of the Good Shepherd, Canajoharie, I preached and confirmed three persons. There is no brilliant result here, but there is a deepening interest, I think, and over a large surface, too. It needs, what there is in this mission, good patience and devotion to work on, without the stimulus of much return, for the due season in which the faithful servant shall reap, if he faint not.

At night, in St. Ann's Church, Amsterdam, which shows much token of new life, I preached and confirmed thirteen persons. The pulpit preached a very flowery sermon, being filled, ceiling-high, with lovely plants. The service preached the blessing, of earnest, quiet labour; and I tried to preach the plain truths of the Gospel.

April 29. At night, in St. Paul's Church, Albany, I preached, Dr. Galaudet interpreting, and confirmed three deaf mutes.

May 2, P. M. In St. Paul's Free Mission Chapel, Troy, I preached, and confirmed twenty-five persons. The service and the congregation were admirable, and the number confirmed speaks for itself of abundant labors and success.

May 5, P. M. In Trinity Church, Claverack, I preached, and confirmed two persons.

May 6, A. M. In Christ Church, Hudson, I addressed the Sunday school in the chapel. At 10.30 I preached, confirmed sixteen persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. It would be hard to find a finer service than this, anywhere. In the afternoon, in All Saints' Chapel, Hudson, I preached, and confirmed three persons. The heart seems almost not there, since dear Mrs. Cookson's death, whose absence was more real, almost, than any other's presence, and whose loss is simply irreparable. At night, in Trinity Church, Athens, after a capital service, crowded, and reverent and earnest, I preached, and confirmed thirteen persons.

May 7, A. M. In the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Stockport, I preached, confirmed five persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. This is one of the places where the true worship of nature, that is, the worship nature offers, mingles most sweetly with our worship of her God and ours.

P. M., in St. Barnabas' Chapel, Stottville, I preached and confirmed seven persons. The work done in these two places, with the school-work added, is as hard and as good as any that is done anywhere.

May 8, A. M. In Christ Church, Coxsackie, I preached, confirmed two persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. There is a live coal under these ashes. Three months' work, by one of my Deacons, in the summer, showed what might be, if only I could put a Rector here. The congregation this morning was really good.

At night, in St. Luke's Church, Catskill, I preached, and confirmed seven persons.

May 9. I began, with the Dean and the Rev. Mr. Irish and Canon Shoup, the examinations of Candidates for Holy Orders.

May 10. The Ascension Day. Examinations continued.



And at night, in the Free Church of the Ascension, Troy, I preached and confirmed eight persons.

May 11. In St. James' Church, Caldwell, Lake George, I preached and confirmed seventeen persons. This is a second harvest. Last year's was large. It is not the first reaping of ground, long fallow. So it is in Glens Falls, a continuous and unceasing result. It is too wonderful to be ascribed to even such wise and unsparing work as both Mr. Olin and Mr. Lancaster give. "It is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes."

At night, in the Church of the Messiah, Glens Falls, I preached and confirmed forty persons (one in private). The new bell had special cause to call the people together to this harvest feast.

May 12. In Zion Church, Sandy Hill, dear Dr. Bostwick being present, greatly improved, thank God, and taking part in the service, I preached and confirmed one person, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

At night, in St. John's Church, Fort Edward, I preached and confirmed twenty-three persons. The congregation was very large, and the service very hearty, with lovely flowers, a good class, and that atmosphere, so grateful to a Bishop, of unity in the Parish, whose component elements are pastoral faithfulness and parochial appreciation, and whose solvent is love.

May 13. Sunday after the Ascension Day, in Bethesda Church, Saratoga, I preached, confirmed fifty-two persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. It was a lovely service, and I never saw the Church, here, so full, or show so much evidence of strength and power. In the afternoon, I catechised the Sunday School children.

At night, in Christ Church, Ballston Spa, I preached, and confirmed twenty persons.

May 14. By dint of driving thirty-one miles, I accomplished a good day's work. In the morning, in Calvary Church, Burnt Hills, I preached, confirmed two persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon, I set apart, for the service of God, the little St. John's Chapel, East Line. I preached, and confirmed five persons. The chapel did not hold a quarter of the people, who collected in throngs about the building. I *tried* to preach, and Mr. Delafield *succeeded* in collecting the alms, through the open windows; and, curiously enough, the larger part of the Offerings came from outside. It was a striking sight, as was the collation spread afterwards in the grove. The enthusiasm of the people was very great, and between that and the consuming zeal of Mr. Delafield, they have accomplished wonders. The building is a pretty wood chapel, and went up in twelve days. The choir of Christ Church, Troy, greatly added to the impressiveness of the service. The whole day was full of promise. It is part only of Mr. Delafield's outside work, reaching beyond his mere duties, and this service was a fitting amen to a visitation which, for pleasure and fruit, was a royal progress from Lake George to Ballston, with 161 persons confirmed in the four days.

In the evening, I confirmed one person at the County House, and afterward

in the parlor of the hotel at West Milton, I preached to a very full and interested congregation, and confirmed one person.

May 19, P. M. In St. Mark's Church, Green Island, I preached, and confirmed ten persons.

May 20. Whitsunday. In the afternoon, in St. Peter's Church, Albany, I preached, and confirmed thirteen persons; a second confirmation, making in the year, thirty; a marked class in many ways. In the evening, in Grace Church, Albany, I preached, and confirmed twelve persons. Still the day of small things here, except in the patient energy of the Rector, which is great.

May 23. The committee of nine of the Board of Missions met in New York and drafted their report. This was a more effective report than we dreamed or intended. It proposed a diminution of the members of the Board, and the Board declined to accept it; whereupon the General Convention did away with the whole thing and became the Board of Missions. I believe the change is wise. I have spoken elsewhere of the duty which the change imperatively devolves upon us all, in this Diocese.

May 23, P. M. Attended a meeting of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

May 25. In the Chapel of St. John the Evangelist, Barrytown, by the consent of the Bishop of New York, I held an Ordination to the Priesthood, the Rev. Drs. Fairbairn and F. Harison, and the Rev. Messrs. Hopson and Noble being present.

I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion and ordained Deacon, Mr. William Morton Pickslay, presented by the Rev. Dr. Fairbairn. There was peculiar fitness in Mr. Pickslay's ordination here, in this beautiful memorial building to a truly good man; apart from the fact that he had been at work, when a student at Annandale, in the mission which grew out of Mr. Aspinwall's grave, into this lovely church. The service was dignified and impressive, and the singing of the St. Stephen's students admirable. To preach to them was a pleasure very grateful to me. Mr. Pickslay serves most acceptably in St. Paul's Church, Troy, under the Rev. Dr. Harison. I wish all my Deacons might have the advantage of such training.

May 27. Trinity Sunday. In Christ Church, Cooperstown, I preached, confirmed twenty-eight persons and celebrated the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I catechised the Sunday School children.

At night, in Grace Church, Cherry Valley, I preached and confirmed ten persons.

May 28. At Bede Hall all day. The trustees met and felt themselves most reluctantly compelled to close the school. It is a great disappointment, and a needless one. It failed in nothing but money. And I am glad to say it died (as the old Monk died chanting the Gloria) like a swan, singing its sweetest song. It has had never so good a year. Mr. Morrell approved himself to my entire satisfaction as a very rare teacher; in my experience unequalled as a classical teacher; and Mr. Coleman had earned our grateful appreciation. Some of the examinations defied criticism, and all, including

the exhibition at night, were very creditable. I was proud of it, even in my regret. And I hope it died not only like the swan, but like the phoenix. The apparent excuse was the hard times. The real difficulty was lack of interest in the Diocese, and distance from the Bishop. If a few more laymen had been as earnest as Mr. Keese, and Judge Forsyth, and Mr. Dauchy and my own staunch helpers here in Albany, we could have kept the root, at least, alive till better days. I do not give it up yet.

May 29. I visited the Orphanage, and was delighted with the condition of the house and the improvement of the children. How long are we to cry out there to the dull ears of churchmen for a building large enough to receive the incessant applications, and fitly ordered to care for the children. Albany churchmen do not appreciate their opportunities when they allow such an institution, which might be multiplied indefinitely in its benefactions, to receive little, if anything, but the love and wisdom that administer it. You may keep on saying, as the Jews, to Ezekiel did: "Ah Lord, doth He not speak parables?" But I will take up my parable continually on this subject, lest I make myself partaker of your sin.

At night, in St. John's Church, Portlandville, I baptized two adults, and confirmed seven persons. This was the fruit of Mr. Granniss' most acceptable ministry here; and his ministry, here, was due indirectly to Bede Hall; and if nothing else than such a result had come from it, it would not have existed in vain.

May 30. In the Chapel of Christ Church, Cooperstown, I baptized an infant; and, at night, in Immanuel Church, Otego, I preached.

May 31, A. M. In St. Paul's Church, Franklin, I preached and ordained Mr. Scott Bogie Rathbun, Deacon, presented by the Rev. Mr. Grubbe; and celebrated the Holy Communion. I was glad to give the teaching of this service, in the Parish which gave Mr. Rathbun to the ministry. He is still a student at the Seminary, and did an excellent work in Coxsackie during the vacation.

In the afternoon, in St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, I preached and confirmed seven persons.

June 1. In Christ Church, Butternuts, I preached, confirmed eleven persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. The Class was exceptionally large, and the tokens of life here, unusual; and both are due to the energy and labors of the Rev. Hobart Cooke, whom good Mr. Hughes had called to assist him. Since Mr. Hughes' death, the Vestry have made a permanent arrangement with Mr. Cooke, who has charge, with an assistant, of this, and of several Mission Stations. I have spoken elsewhere of the remarkable life and work of Mr. Hughes, whose characteristic conversation with me, that day, I never shall forget. I only wish the pattern had not been broken, in which were cast the men of such humble, vigorous, untiring, originating purpose, and power.

In the afternoon, I preached in All Saints Memorial Chapel, Morris.

June 2, A. M. In Christ Church, West Burlington, I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon, in the Union Free Chapel, at South Edmeston, I preached and confirmed two persons. This region is cared for again, I am glad to say, by the new arrangement made with the Rector of Morris.

June 3. First Sunday after Trinity. In Zion Church, Morris, I preached, confirmed sixteen persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. It was a very noble service; and, at the close, I catechised the children of the Sunday School. The drive with Mr. Cooke, first through the rain, and then through the clearing, and the golden light of an unrivalled sunset glorifying everything, was a pleasure to be remembered.

In the evening, in St. James' Church, Oneonta, I preached and confirmed one person.

June 10. Second Sunday after Trinity, P. M. In St. John's Church, Cohoes, I preached and confirmed thirty-eight persons (one in private).

June 11. St. Barnabas Day. In Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, I preached and ordained one Deacon and four Priests; Richard C. Searing, Deacon, presented by the Rev. Mr. Carey; the Rev. Anson J. Brockway, Priest, presented by the Rev. Mr. Weibel; the Rev. F. O. Granniss, Priest, presented by the Rev. Mr. Terry; the Rev. C. S. Olmsted, Priest, presented by the Rev. Mr. Cookson; The Rev. E. A. Hartman, Priest, presented by the Rev. Mr. Terry. Besides the presenters, the Rev. Drs. Tucker and Dean, and the Rev. Messrs. Chapman, Olin, Hall, and Berry, united in the laying on of hands. There were present, besides, the Rev. Dr. Weston and Seabury, of Connecticut, and Messrs. Stubbs, Adler, and Caird. The service was admirably arranged and largely attended.

In the afternoon, I presided at a business meeting of the Troy Convocation; at which the question of Convocation work was thoroughly discussed; and at which, to my great regret, Dr. Tucker insisted on the acceptance of his resignation; and, to my great satisfaction, Mr. Carey was nominated, and appointed as Archdeacon.

June 13. I confirmed one person, in private, from St. Paul's Parish, Albany.

June 14. I consecrated the Free Church of the Epiphany, Bath. The request was read by the Rev. Mr. Temple, and the Sentence, by the Rev. Dean Haughton. The Rev. Messrs. Battershall, Norton and Caird, said Morning Prayer; the Rev. Dr. Reese and Messrs. Smith and Selkirk were present; I preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Walsh, who came back to share in the joy of the consummation of a work, whose inception was largely due to him. Of course, the payment of the debt, which set the building free for consecration, is due to the continued liberality and interest of St. John's Church, Troy, in this work. But the spiritual growth, in the increasing congregations and large classes confirmed, is God's blessing on the wise and devoted energies of the Rector.

The next week was fully occupied with the school examinations, which I

wish more people would attend. The good name of St. Agnes, for all best points of scholarship and training, is a praise already throughout the land. But the Church people of the city and of the Diocese contribute little to it, and enjoy little of it. It may be the kind of confidence which left the Scotch parishioner free to sleep in Kirk, when his own Minister was preaching. But I confess I should like a little more wide-awakeness. And I am free to ask it, in the way of presence at examinations, and visits to the school, and the sending of the Church girls in the Diocese here; now that we do not need to ask it for the sake of patronage. For the school is at the full. It has earned what it has, and means to keep it, by a continuous improvement in the advantages it offers. I recognize, with infinite thankfulness to God, His blessing on the work, in seen and unseen ways.

June 17. Third Sunday after Trinity. In the Cathedral Chapel, I preached, and confirmed seven persons, one being from St. Agnes.

At night, in Trinity Church, Albany, at a second confirmation, I preached, and confirmed four persons.

June 20. In the Cathedral Chapel, I made the Address, and gave the diplomas and testimonials to the graduating class of St. Agnes School, after the usual exercises in the school room; with a fair representation of the clergy of the Diocese, and others.

June 21. I attended the Commencement Exercises of St. Stephen's College, Annandale, renewing my interest and confidence in this admirable school.

At night, in St. Luke's Church, Clermont, I preached.

June 22. In St. Paul's Church, Kinderhook, on the twenty-fifth Anniversary of its Consecration, I preached, confirmed ten persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. The flowers were very lovely, setting forth, in the decoration, how the hope of "1852," in the anchor, rose into the Cross of victory, of "1877." An agreeable gathering at the Rectory followed, with very delightful reminiscences, and a quiet evensong at the Church, ended a very pleasant day.

June 23, A. M. In the Chapel, at Lebanon Springs, I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon, in the Reformed House of Worship, Chatham, I preached and confirmed four persons (one in private).

June 24. Fourth Sunday after Trinity. In the Cathedral Chapel, I preached, and ordained Deacon, Mr. Robert Granger, presented by the Rev. Mr. Selkirk, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

June 26. Confirmed one person, in private, from St. Paul's Parish, Albany.

June 27, P. M. In Trinity Church, Granville, I preached.

June 28. In St. Paul's Church, Salem, I instituted the Rev. John Henry Houghton into the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Salem, preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. The improvements to the little Church are admirable. It ranks, to-day, among the most churchly and attractive in the Diocese. And, as though to set the seal of His acceptance on it all, God

has made the grass and trees and flowers to grow in a wonderful way, till the whole surrounding is exquisite. There have been hard work, generous giving, wise direction, hearty sympathy here. And we all most gladly hailed, with its hope of permanence, the marriage of the Rector to the Parish. In the evening, crowning all, came the confirmation service, and I preached and confirmed fifteen persons.

June 29. St. Peter's Day. In St. Paul's Church, Salem, I celebrated the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon, in St. Luke's Church, Cambridge, I preached and confirmed six persons. The service was very lovely, with song and flowers, and better than all, in tokens of hard work, appreciation and success. Cambridge, like "mercy," is twice blessed, in its last, and its present Rector.

At night, in the Congregational House of Worship, Greenwich, I preached. I am afraid this place is dead. Mr. Wing's death is a very serious loss: and other things, some that might, and some that could not, have been avoided, have conspired to discontinue the services.

June 30. In St. Stephen's Church, Schuylerville, I preached, confirmed six persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

July 1. Fifth Sunday after Trinity. In St. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls, I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon, I catechised the Sunday School children, and at night, I preached and confirmed fourteen persons. The same consecrated beauty, indoors and out, with all the old heartiness of service, greeted me again this year.

July 6, P. M. In Trinity Church, Schaghticoke, I preached and confirmed two persons. I cannot too highly commend the self-denying patience, and the wise and practical perseverance of the Rector here. It ought to be rewarded by a generous effort to pay off the debt. Only \$250 are needed, and I wish this city of Troy would give it. It is almost the last day of grace.

July 8. Sixth Sunday after Trinity. In the evening, in Christ Church, Hudson, at a second visitation, I preached and confirmed eleven persons.

July 9. I began the Greene County Visitation; first, through blinding and choking dust, and then through driving and drenching rain, of both which my good brothers, Weeks and Prout, who went along as Chaplains, got the worst. But the worst of Monday was repaid, by the poorest of the other days. Finer weather, than the Lord gave us the rest of the week, could not be imagined. The Catskills were at their loveliest, in burnished green set against the sapphire, in the crisp, cool sparkling air. They never seemed to me so beautiful before, as we approached and crossed, and drove under them, and alongside of them; and turned from them reluctantly, with what seemed almost a crowning view, the look down on Rensselaerville from the hill. What with weather, scenery, capital company, delightful services, and the loving welcomes that awaited me, this week, from Catskill to Delhi, was too



pleasant to be called work. As Longfellow says in "Keramos," it made everything

—— "seem less forlorn,  
And life more like a holiday."

Monday, July 9. In Calvary Church, Cairo, I preached, confirmed six persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Mr. Harding has left this Parish and this Diocese to my great regret. He was an earnest, scholarly, admirable man. Talking in our drive to-day, about the double use of *ἀντι τυπος*. I was struck with the readiness of his Homeric knowledge, illustrating the New Testament by the Homeric use of *ἀντι θεός*. I should be glad to have more scholars and more workers like him. In leaving the Parish he has left a noble record behind. Driving on through the rain, we came to Greenville, where, in the afternoon, in Christ Church, I preached and confirmed one person.

July 10. In Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, I preached and confirmed four persons and celebrated the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon, in the little Chapel in Westerlo, I preached. The congregation was excellent. Mr. Washburn's untiring labor here earns more visible, and assures the better invisible, returns.

P. M. In St. Paul's Church, Oak Hill, I preached and confirmed two persons.

July 11. Over the mountain most delightfully; and in Trinity Church, Windham, I preached and confirmed five persons.

In the evening, in Grace Church, Prattsville, I preached and confirmed one person. And here ended the pleasant companionship of my journey. "Luke and Demas both forsook" me, and I had not even a Mark with me.

July 12. In St. Peter's Church, Hobart, I baptized an adult, preached, and confirmed six persons. The Church was full, and everything about the service hearty and reverent.

July 13. In Christ Church, Walton, I preached and confirmed five persons and celebrated the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon, in Christ Church, Deposit, I preached and confirmed one person. There is something very touching in the way these people hold fast to the Church. And their personal appeal to me is very strong. I long to do something for them. I believe if we had the means to send a strong man, and if some strong man had the will to go, a strong Parish might be built up here. But the trouble is in the start, without the man or the means.

Back to Binghamton at night. I believe I was in four Dioceses, in the course of my journey to accomplish this one visitation.

At Delhi, on Saturday, I had quite a sense of an English garden party in Mrs. Sherwood's out-door reception in the lovely old garden.

July 15. Seventh Sunday after Trinity. In St. John's Church, Delhi, I preached, confirmed thirteen persons and celebrated the Holy Communion. Afterwards I addressed the children of the Sun lay School.

That night I preached again. There is always some new thing added to this beautiful church, which is very complete and lovely now.

A rare drive the next morning, brought us to Sharon Springs, where, in the evening, in the little Trinity Chapel, packed full, I preached and confirmed nineteen persons. It was a "novelty" to Sharon, but in no wise "disturbed my peace." It is the outgrowth of long, patient, careful teaching.

July 17. In St. Paul's Church, East Springfield, I preached, confirmed seven persons and celebrated the Holy Communion. A violent rain, through which we drove, thinned out the congregation; but the class was large, and the service simple and earnest.

In the evening, in St. John's Church, Richfield Springs, I preached and confirmed two persons. In this hardest of soils, with every disadvantage of wintry fewness, and the summer influx that secularizes the place, Mr. Pecke's work has been abundantly blessed. In the period of his rectorship, soon to end, there have been a large number baptized and confirmed, and the number of communicants is more than doubled.

July 18, P. M. In Trinity Church, Fairfield, whither we slowly climbed, five in a carriage, up a straight wall, I preached.

July 19, A. M. After a drenching rain, we drove into the sunlight; and in Grace Church, Norway, I preached, confirmed one person, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon, in the Memorial Church, Middleville, I preached.

August 6. In Christ Church, Duaneburgh, I preached, and confirmed seven persons.

August 7, A. M. I consecrated Trinity Chapel, Duaneburgh. The Rector read the Instrument of Donation, and the Archdeacon, the Sentence of Consecration, and I preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. The Chapel was crowded, and the day could not have been lovelier. It stands beautifully, and is a most attractive building; and the service was all one could desire. This work is the crown of patience and prayer. Eighteen years have been spent in its accomplishment; and the Duane, to whom its beginning and completion are so largely due, made the day full, to us, of the happiness, which it brought to them. The Church is almost in the town of *Esperance*, and certainly, the name must have given stimulus to the efforts, which achieved this result.

P. M. In the Chapel, in Middleburgh, I preached. This is a long way removed from "*Esperance*;" and if Schoharie means what it is, Church-wise, for us, I think, it must stand for "despair."

August 10. In St. Mary's Church, Luzerne, I preached, confirmed six persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. The Church grows steadily towards completion, being built in the honest and sensible way of step-by-step, and no debt. Luzerne was never lovelier; and the results here and at Conklingville were never more encouraging. In the evening, in St. John's Church, Conklingville, with Mr. Brockway, who has done a remarkable work here, I preached, and confirmed eleven persons. Things have not seemed so well



here for many years, as now. But I want, and I ought to have, \$200, to relieve this earnest, generous people from their debt, and to release the Church for consecration.

August 12. Eleventh Sunday after Trinity. In Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs (the courtesy of the Rector having promised me the offering, for Missions, and Mr. Marvin's courtesy having offered me the attractions of his Hotel), I preached to a very remarkable congregation. By special appointment, two young people, a boy and a girl, not living here, but in whom I had a personal interest, were confirmed. And the sight, as they came out from, and stood up before, that large concourse of people from all parts of this country, was very striking. I preached again at night, and earned more than I often do in a day's work, the pleasure being thrown in, \$140, for Diocesan Missions.

August 18. Off, as I supposed, to Gouverneur. But the fates and timetables were against me. A little extra energy, and a little extra travelling expense, which I was free to incur (since, notwithstanding the resolution of the Convention last year, I continue to pay my travelling expenses), brought me, by a special engine, in good season, for the service, which was a very pleasant one, indeed. The Parish is admirably off in its new Rector, as are Morley, Canton and Morristown, all which, as well as Gouverneur, I was thankful to find filled; and filled as they are. I preached in Trinity Church, Gouverneur, and confirmed five persons.

On to Ogdensburg, at night, where I stayed in what has become, by loving hospitality, one of my homes, and whence I radiated to adjacent parts.

August 19. Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, A. M. I sang the Litany in the beautiful and attractive Chapel of St. John's, Ogdensburgh, and addressed the Sunday School children.

At eleven o'clock, in the noble Parish Church, I preached and confirmed fifty persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion; a very large class, repaying all the faithful labor to which God granted such a return. There is great strength here, patent and latent; in what the Rector does, and in what he proposes; and the effect upon the parish, in life and liberality; in inner energy and outside interest, is very marked.

The Lotus took us again to Morristown. She is well named, for one *forgets* to be tired, or to feel at work, in such journeyings.

P. M. In Christ Church, Morristown, I preached and confirmed nine persons. The font bore, "of water," its crown of pond lilies; and they were types to-day of new life and interest. The Rector is well at work, and the furnished parsonage indicates the people's appreciation. He needs the means for larger outside work, as does Mr. Morrison, for the work they are trying to do.

In the evening, in St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, I preached again.

August 20, A. M. In St. Paul's Church, Waddington, I preached, confirmed eleven persons and celebrated the Holy Communion. It is the largest class here for many years; a good indication and encouragement.

In the afternoon, in St. Luke's Church, Lisbon, I preached. Mr. Morrison's labors of love here are cordially appreciated.

August 21. In Grace Church, Canton, I preached, confirmed four persons and celebrated the Holy Communion. Mrs. Sherwood's absence was the dark spot in a white day.

In the evening, in Trinity Church, Morley, the Rev. Dr., now, thank God, Bishop Schereschewsky, said Evening Prayer. I preached and confirmed fourteen persons. It was a good service in every way, and the class was a welcome evidence of Mr. Olmsted's success. It was very strange to find the old house closed here, and to miss the old-time welcome.

August 22, P. M. In Trinity Church, Potsdam, I preached and confirmed twenty-three persons. The Archdeacon interpreted the whole service to a large number of deaf-mutes, who were present. The service, as always here, was full of life and interest. The loss of Dr. Pennell and Mr. Berry must not be allowed to interrupt this important work among the mutes. The Rev. Dr. Gallaudet still holds stated services in St. Paul's Church, Albany, and I hope to continue them elsewhere. I am glad to indorse Dr. Gallaudet's request for an offering, where it may be taken (he suggests), on the twelfth Sunday after Trinity, for the Church Mission to deaf-mutes, with its Home for Aged and Infirm.

August 23, A. M. In Trinity Church, Potsdam, I preached and ordained Priest, the Rev. James Richard Langford Nisbett, presented by his father, and celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Schereschewsky, and the Rev. Messrs. Howard, Olmsted, and Seabury of Connecticut; all the clergy present uniting in the laying on of hands. Everything personal and parochial—the father's gift of his son, the well-earned advancement of the Deacon, the number of the Clergy, and the dignity of the service—made it a memorable day.

In the evening, in St. John's Church, Massena, I preached and confirmed seventeen persons. It was hard to say which was the most crowded, the chancel with Clergy, the rail with candidates, or the Chapel with the congregation, which almost burst out the walls. It was a telling argument for the new Church, whose building is soon to be begun.

I made my next visitation by boat; thanks to Mr. Goss' admirable arrangement. The exchange, after the intense dust and heat of last year's driving, was most grateful. We had a charming run, by steamboat, down the Little Sioux Rapid to Barnhart's Island; and from thence, with the same pleasant party, pleasantly increased, down the St. Lawrence, and up the Little St. Regis river, to Hogansburgh. Several of the Canadian Clergy were with me. But through all, I missed the genial, cordial fellowship of Canon Preston, of Cornwall, who was ill at the time, and whose sudden death, in full harness, returning from the Provincial Synod, is a great loss, I am sure, to his Parish and to his own Bishop, and means a long hiatus for me, in the agreeable companionship of several years.

August 24. In the little Chapel on Barnhart's Island, I baptized an infant,

preached and confirmed seven persons, presented by the Rev. Mr. Poole of the Diocese of Ontario, who renders most acceptable service here, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon, in St. James' Church, Hogansburgh, I preached and confirmed thirteen persons. Such results in this Mission tell their own story. Thirty-seven persons confirmed out of such a field, where there is really very slight material, are the best argument and the strongest appeal for our Diocesan Missions. They represent both phases of our Missionary operations; the new points, like Massena and Barnhart's, and the revival of what seemed dead, like Hogansburgh. I wish the Laymen of the Diocese could see the energy and interest of Priest and people; and measure their almsgiving, by such evident tokens of what can and might be done. We pursued our last year's course, of driving, over night, the road to Brush's, which would have been very weary and long, through sporadic showers, but for the good company, clerical and lay, that went along with me.

August 25, A. M. In St. Peter's Church, Brush's Mills, I preached, confirmed one person, and celebrated the Holy Communion. The shadow of the great sorrow to me, and the great loss to this Mission, in the death of Mrs. Corbin Brush, was overhanging then, although we did not see it.

In the afternoon, in St. John's Church, Lawrenceville, I preached, baptized a child, and confirmed two persons. We forgave the rain which drenched us in our open waggon on the way back, for the wonderful effects of cloud, and sun, and rainbow; and for the sense of comfort it was bringing to the earth; which, between grasshoppers and drought, was beginning to be sorely blighted.

August 26. Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity. In St. Mark's Chapel, West Bangor, I preached, confirmed one person, and celebrated the Holy Communion. I talked to the Sunday School after service, and felt there was admirable promise in it. Mr. Cook is only just on the ground and gleaning: next year's harvest will tell another story of results.

In the evening, in St. Mark's Church, Malone, with a fine congregation and a good service, I confirmed fourteen persons.

August 27, A. M. In Christ Church, Rouses Point, I preached and confirmed nine persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. It was a good service, though sadly changed from other days, and changed in a way that demands explanation, which I can make here better than anywhere else, because wherever else the blame may lie, it does not lie at the doors of this parish. The Clinton County Associate Mission included one of the most difficult portions of the Diocese. The physical labor could not have been done by any other man I ever knew; and the effort seemed always, to wise people, who knew nothing about it, an absurd impossibility to minister to so many places. The impression now will be, that it was the fault of *πλεονεξία*, of attempting too much, of over-reaching, that the work has dwindled and failed. Not much expecting to convince the people, whose *arriere pensée* is always right, or people who like the "I told you so" argument, when something happens which they

thought would happen, but for reasons which never occurred to them; I am bound, in vindication of the great labors, and patience, and sacrifice, and expenditure that have been put into this work, to say that its surrender by Dr. Pennell is simply due to two causes. In the first place, the pecuniary prostration which has fallen upon this whole region, having reached Rouses Point last, swept away the only remaining props; and, in the next place, the fading out, from the out-lying points, of Church people, who have died or been driven away by lack of business, and of American people whose places have been filled by French Canadians, who are nominally Roman Catholic. But the American population is well nigh gone. Dr. Pennell was unable to continue the sacrifice of means, by which alone he has remained there so long. And so he has gone, with a cost of sorrow to himself and to me, which I have spoken of elsewhere. The places may, and I hope will, bridge over, with casual services, the interval between their present depression and the possible return of population and prosperity. But I fear they never again can be what they were.

In the afternoon, in St. John's Church, Champlain, I preached and confirmed one person.

August 28, A. M. In St. Paul's Church, Keeseville, I preached and confirmed five persons, and ordained Priest, the Rev. William Mason Cook, presented by his father—the second instance of this most touching gift, this year, of a father giving his son. I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion. It was a glad day for the Parsonage, and a good day for the Parish.

September 8. Off for the Adirondack visitation: by rail to Thurman, then driving to Starbuckville. A most pleasant welcome awaited me from one of the two faithful Churchwomen who have held up and revived the Church in this part of the Diocese. After dinner, a lovely row down the Schroon river with two *remiges*, whom I can describe best in Latin, because the gender of the word includes them both. It was through a bit of unspoiled nature. No living creatures but ourselves and two birds all the way. And the wooded banks, the lovely windings of the river, and the unbroken solitude and silence were very impressive.

In the afternoon, in Christ Church, Chester, in Pottersville, I preached and baptized two children. Mr. Ogden has done a hard, earnest, successful work in this region, during the summer. With occasional help, he has held services at Chester, Pottersville, Milbrook, and Schroon, with no diminution of work at Warrensburgh, as the results show. It has been tentative; the small end of the wedge. But it has split the log of this uncared-for region; and if the Diocese enables the Board to follow it up by the employment of regular assistance, an excellent work, and a work we ought to do, can be accomplished here. I spent the night on the large island, at the head of Schroon lake, very agreeably, with the kindest hosts. And the two hours on it, before service, proved that it well deserved its name of Isola Bella. The unusual variety of landscape on the island itself—its shores, its trees, its roads, its

heights, its lawns—is very remarkable, and its view of the Adirondacks is unsurpassed and hardly equalled.

Sunday, September 9. Fifteenth after Trinity. In the school-house, in Schroon, I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion. The congregation was admirable, though "the season" was over. By the courtesy of Mr. Cottrell, of Milbrook, we had a little steamer down the lake, and the sail was beautiful beyond words; a very dream of an out-door day, in a part of the world, where, to be out-doors is perpetual enjoyment. From Pottersville we drove to Chester. I found the little Chapel here—a meeting-house made over—very churchly and attractive, and crowded to the outer step with a very interested and impressible congregation. I preached and confirmed seven persons.

In the evening, after a lovely drive, in the Church of the Holy Cross, Warrensburgh, more beautiful than ever, I preached and confirmed nineteen persons. The service was even more striking than usual.

I really want to emphasize, for the Convention to hear, for the Diocese to notice, for the Churchmen to take new heart from, and new inspiration for, their work, the very remarkable evidence of spiritual prosperity, in the small stations this year, judged by the number confirmed, and witnessed to by their gifts to Missions.

Take these instances of Confirmation Classes: In Mr. Ogden's Missions, 26; in Mr. Goss' Missions, 37; in Caldwell, 17; in Sharon Springs, 19; in St. Regis, 4; in East Line, 5; Portlandville, 7; Salem, 15; Waddington, 11; Morley, 14. And for the amounts of money given to the Board of Missions, notice these facts. Among the Churches that have given more than the amount asked by the Board of Missions, the list of which is published elsewhere, I find, Oak Hill, Greenville, Ashland, Cairo, Fairfield, Norway, Fonda, Luzerne, Cambridge, Walton, Franklin, Otego, Portlandville, Oneonta and Rouses Point; while eighteen of the smallest Mission Stations, not assessed at all, have given \$181.23

September 10th. A beautiful drive to Bolton. In St. Sacrament Church, Bolton, I preached, confirmed one person (and celebrated the Holy Communion), the first fruits of this sort of Mr. Chamberlain's long, earnest work as a lay-reader at Sabbath Day Point.

After the same gracious hospitality which always meets me here, and another afternoon of beauty and pleasure on the lovely lake; in the Church of the Cross, Ticonderoga, I preached.

September 11, A. M. In Christ Church, Port Henry, I preached, confirmed three persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon, in the Congregational House of Worship, Mineville, I preached and confirmed three persons.

September 12. I consecrated St. James' Church, Ausable Forks, the Rev. Mr. Knapp read the Instrument of Donation, and the Rev. Mr. Cook, the Sentence of Consecration, and I preached on Jacob's dream at Luz, and celebrated the Holy Communion. This is the coronation of long patience

and hope. There were two whom I wished for specially; one, in whose name largely the work was undertaken, asleep, as we call it, in the deeper sleep than Jacob's, but to whom, evermore, angel-visions are near and frequent now; and another in the flesh, and with us still, but asleep to all intents and purposes, so that, unless in some unconscious way, no real appearance of this gift of God could come to him. These were the dreamers, and to us who were there, the full, fair beauty of this House of God seemed almost like a dream. It is a completely finished Church of stone, and fully furnished in every detail. The congregation was very large, the flowers lovely, and the music would have been exceptionally good anywhere; the Psalm, the Psalter, the Te Deum, everything being sung. After dinner, we set out, a goodly company, for the thirty-six Adirondack miles, which are long, hard miles always, to Paul Smith's.

On Thursday, the 13th September, I consecrated the Church of St. John in the Wilderness, St. Regis Lake. Dr. Lundy read the Instrument of Donation, and the Archdeacon, the Sentence of Consecration. I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion, and confirmed four men. A more grateful surprise never dawned on any Bishop's eyes. The Church stands, as if it had grown by the power of God, out of the lovely plateau of ferns that edge this gate of the wilderness. It is a gem in itself, to which no words of description can do any justice. Only, by that law of proportion, which is the leading law of architecture, harmony, it is simply perfect; for it belongs to the woods and the lake, the trees and the streams. And it seemed no straining of the Psalmist's words to take the joy with which they found, of old, "the Ark in the Wood, of which they heard at Ephratah." And the thought ran out and on, through all its teachings of the Ark, the Human Flesh with God in it, which Christianity has taught man how to find in the Wood of the Cradle and the Cross: the Incarnation and the Sacrifice. The music was excellent; the flowers, golden-rod and pond lilies, and ferns, with autumn leaves, were exquisite. A beautiful memorial window lifted our hearts up to Paradise, where a little child, "Maud Rosman," walked among the lilies. The west window is yet to be put in, and the space was filled with leaves, in their rich, autumn colors. Where so many have been generous, it would be invidious to specify; but the largest giver will agree with me that, but for Dr. Trudeau, the work would neither have been begun nor completed. And the accuracy of the accounts equals the energy of the efforts. I am glad to say, that in both these cases, the property has been deeded to the Board of Missions. The cordial, kindly interest of all who were there of our own people, and others, was very grateful. And the appreciation of the people living here, of what has been done *for them*, promises the best things for the future.

The driving, from this time on, was rough, and hard and long. But it grew more and more beautiful. A twenty-eight miles drive brought us to Lake Placid, well named, upon whose unruffled waters the mountains stood double, mountain and shadow. Spending the night there, we drove the next day fifty-two miles in all, over what an extreme euphemism calls roads, past



the Edmunds ponds, through Keene and Elizabethtown, to Lewis. and thence, after service, to Essex.

In the Town Hall, in Lewis, I preached and confirmed five persons. Whatever is here, is due to Mr. Woodbridge, who has added this long drive, six times, at his own expense, to his own arduous work. There are better things in store, when, if ever, I can find the man not afraid to undertake the work here.

September 15, A. M. In St. John's Church, Essex, I said Morning Prayer, preached, confirmed two persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Mr. Ross has kept up the services with great fidelity, and with great acceptance. But there is sore need of a Priest.

September 16. Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity. In Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, I preached, confirmed eighteen persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion. I catechised the children of the Sunday School afterwards. In the afternoon, I preached in St. John's Church, Salmon River. And at night, I preached again, in Trinity Church, Plattsburgh. Matters here are not only in excellent condition, but with a promise of still better things. I am delighted with all I find.

September 19. St. Agnes School opened with the best promise, which has been even more fully realized. The School is fuller than it has been for three years; and fitted and furnished as it has never been before with Teachers, and with all appliances for teaching.

September 21. St. Matthew's Day. In the Cathedral Chapel, I ordained Priest, the Rev. Wm. Henry Beardslee, presented by the Dean: the Precentor, and the Treasurer, and the Rev. Walter Thompson said Morning Prayer. I preached and celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Battershall, the Rev. Mr. Hartman being present; all the Priests united in the laying on of hands.

September 25. In St. Mark's Church, Green Island, I was present at the opening service of the Albany Convocation. Throughout the Convocation the attendance was very large, and the interest admirably sustained.

September 26. I presided at a meeting of the Board of Missions. In the evening, in St. John's Church, Copake, I preached, and confirmed five persons. It was an interesting service, after long absence, which I cannot excuse; and which seems all the more inexcusable, in the face of the pleasant welcome which awaited me.

September 27. I made the concluding address at the last service of the Albany Convocation, which very satisfactorily ended a very pleasant gathering. Mr. Adler's energetic interest achieved a real and a rare success.

On the 3rd of October, I was in my place at the opening service of the General Convention of the Church, held in Trinity Church, Boston. It was a noble gathering of Bishops, Clergy, and lay people, and I felt never so much before the power and importance of the Convention preacher, in giving direction to the deliberations and decisions of the body. The sermon of the Bishop of Connecticut was a manly and masterly appeal, to assume and under-

take the Lord's work in the Lord's way: dealing not with masses, but with men, and dwelling, rather, on their duties than their rights; asserting most distinctly the positive "body of the Faith," and entreating those who hold it as God's gift, to make it live by the "Spirit of good works."

Of the General Convention, two views ought to be taken; the outside general impression of tone and temper, than which nothing could be more admirable, and the inside specific expression of its results. Now, of this outside impression, much has been said (not too much) by lookers-on, and actors in the Convention, by Churchmen and Church papers, and by men and papers that have nothing to do with the Church. And everybody has acknowledged the unanimity, the good temper, the courtesy of the Convention, the breaking up of old lines of difference, the opposition of men to each other, who used to be united, and the union of men with each other, who used to be opposed.

The test of the reality of this will come, when some practical question arises, which involves some issue that seems buried now. I greatly hope, that when the occasion arises to try it, this vaunted broadmindedness and mutual confidence may not prove to have been only safe and unmeaning words.

The rationale of all this will, I suppose, be differently given. It is due, in my judgment, to two things: first, the three years rest from any exciting questions, doctrinal or personal; and second, the lifting up of the whole Church to a higher position. The disputed doctrines of twenty years ago are the acknowledged truths of to-day. The tolerators of my father's time are the teachers, now, of the truths they tolerated. And men of my father's school, once tolerated, are tolerant themselves; in the majority, now. The differences, to-day, are not about Regeneration, the Real Presence, the Apostolical Succession; are not about Catholic truths. They are differences in, and of, *opinion about* those truths. In the essentials, there is agreement and accord. The solitary speech in this Convention, about the language of the baptismal offices, looked like an antique, and sounded like an echo. This is no result of party triumph. It is simply the result of the lifting up and rising up of the whole Church, together, to a higher holding of the Faith. God forbid that I should seem ungrateful for this token of His presence, Who "maketh men to be of one mind in an house;" or say an ungracious word to mar the sweet clearness of the silver trumpet that calls us, as men of one mind, to go forth and do battle for the truth and right. But I believe that such seasons of unanimity have their dangers, as well as times of controversy and strife. The period of no differences is apt to become the period of indifferentism. Men hold truths more dear, and see them more clearly, when they are inscribed on banners that sway backward and forward in the contending lines of battle, than when they are folded in, and furled, in the quiet hours of peace. Against this tendency, we have need to be on our guard. It will be a hollow truce, a patched-up peace, a coward's compromise, if we purchase this one-mindedness among believers, by concealment or depravation of the truth. And I say to all alike, who, by position or disposition, hold, some, one side, or some, the other side, more strongly of the Faith, which is *one*, that they must still contend for,



maintain, proclaim what God gives them to proclaim; insisting upon the oneness of the deposit, allowing for the varying manner of holding it, and not pretending to think alike about everything; but only to respect each other's honest differences. Unanimity, and even unity, are best secured by the recognition of these things. Differences are not dissensions. Disagreements are not quarrels; and tokens and signs of life, even if they disturb the easy-going stolidity of what is called the old-fashioned Churchman, are better than the indolence and inaction which pass sometimes for peace. Noise and violence are, at least, more alive than silence and sleep. So much for the outside impression of the Convention.

It is, of course, to be recognized, at the outset, that in approaching the question of its results, we must be influenced, more or less, each one, by the prominence and importance which the various subjects under consideration assumed *to us*. And yet over and above the smooth, even level of the calm and quiet surface of this session, hardly ruffled by any excited debate, there are some waves that lift themselves, in plain sight of us all. And I think it is true, that not to me only, but to everybody, the leading subjects of interest were the legislation passed and proposed on Marriage; the Canon on the Missionary Society; the permission for alternate Lessons from Holy Scripture; and the proposed action on Provinces, on Sisterhoods, and on Shortened Services.

I say the legislation passed and proposed on Marriage. The legislation passed deals with the question of Marriage after Divorce. Of what vast importance any canon upon this subject of Marriage is, no words of mine are needed to say. For not Christianity, not civilization, not society, but *humanity*, rests upon the sanctity of marriage. Without it, and apart from it, we are not men, but brutes, and brutes of lower degree, for the higher order of animals recognize a purity of pairing. The story of the creation implies, that marriage was the first act of God, after man's creation was complete. I wish men read and realized more, the divine sequence in that great oratorio. No sooner is man made, than the honour of work is given him. He is *taken and put*, by God, into the garden, to dress and keep it. The next step is the opportunity given to him, to exercise his high prerogative of *will, of choice*. "Of every tree, but one, thou mayest eat; and of that thou *canst*, but at thy peril." The next step is the development of the power of *speech*, given and drawn out, by God; for God brings every created thing to Adam to see what he would call them. And then, when man knows, and is free to use, his three highest honours, his three chief powers, his three distinguished and distinguishing faculties, of labour, and choice, and speech; God makes out of him—this is not marriage, it is creation, and then brings unto him—this is marriage—a woman, Isha. And therefore, not because she was taken out of, but because she was brought unto man, he being Ish, she is Isha. She takes his name, and becomes indissolubly part of himself. And all that death does, is to loose one from the *law*, not from the *life* of the other. This is the divine Institution of Marriage. I am not talking about the civil ceremony, the private contract, the state recognition. I am talking about the *μυστήριον*, the mystery. And mediævalism

did no better service to mankind than in accounting marriage, what it is, in one sense, a sacrament. As mediævalism did, and does to-day, in the mouths of its imitators, no greater outrage to truth and purity, to God and men, to true manhood and true womanhood, than by daring to contrast, in the three conventual vows, marriage, not with celibacy, with which it is contrasted, but with chastity, of which marriage is, at once, the synonym and seal.

Now, if all this be true, the Church of God cannot be too careful, too explicit, about everything relating to marriage; particularly, while the world, as in our day and generation, is so loose and lax. And yet, we have been timid, faint-hearted, time-serving to the last degree; till the corruption of American morals has well nigh unseasoned our salt, and the "three measures of the meal," that is, "the world, the flesh and the devil," have well nigh deadened the yeast of our witness to the truth. The day of bolder and better things begins.

The Canon of Marriage and Divorce opens with a sweeping declaration that the Word of God, and not the will of man, is the test of legality in marriage. This covers far more ground than the detail of this single canon expresses; as I propose to show. Ten thousand civil legislatures, ten thousand magisterial certificates, ten thousand ministerial travesties of matrimony so-called cannot make law, that which the Word of God forbids. No man, no woman is married, who are "joined together otherwise, than as God's word doth allow." It is concubinage. It is fornication. It is adultery. It is bigamy or polygamy. *It is not marriage.* And nothing, no special legislation of Parliament, or Congress, or Legislature, or Court can make it so. The sin committed in ignorance may be condoned. The sinner, in ignorance, may be pardoned. But the sin of the prevalent ignorance on this subject rests, I believe, in part, upon the tongue-tied timidity of the Church in this land. I know we fail to realize the power of this Church on the community outside of her, in matters of morals or of truth. But, thank God, now the string is cut, and with certain hesitations and stammering, we "begin to speak plain."

No divorced person, but the innocent party, in a divorced suit for the cause of adultery, can be married again. And the penalty is not the favorite form of discipline, which fills our Canon law with devices and conveniences for the trial of Bishops, Priests and Deacons; the penalty is the excommunication of the sinner; the refusal of the Sacraments to any person who shall so violate God's law. I beg to call the attention of my people to this, with the most solemn, emphatic endorsement of its searching importance. We wield no temporal power, because the keys of the Kingdom of God are of far greater force. The penalty is tremendous, because the sin is fearful. And no Priest of this Church has the right to keep the people committed to his charge, in ignorance either of the fact or of the force of this re-enactment of God's law. It will be found, when the Journal of the House of Bishops is published, that the final concurrence of the two Houses, as it now stands, was brought about by three avowed and explicit understandings. First, the language, "the word of God and the discipline of this Church," means Holy Scripture, of course, and

this Canon, *and* the rubric, in the marriage service, *and* any other law on this subject, now binding, or hereafter to be enacted. Secondly, the provision, "No Minister shall in any case refuse the Sacraments to a penitent person in imminent danger of death," (the House of Deputies was good enough to translate our Latin for the benefit of the unlearned,) means, that in case of a person dying, penitent of this sin, the Priest may act on his own responsibility. But in the case of a person not "in extremis," he may admit him to the Sacraments *if* the "godly judgment of the Bishop" shall have been asked and had in favor. Thirdly, this Canon for the first time recognizes the right of the Bishop, as *Judex ordinarius*, to decide upon ecclesiastical questions, to appoint his Court, to employ his Commissary, to take testimony, to settle facts, and to deliver his judgment as to what constitutes the true penitence, upon which any sinner may be received or restored to the Communion of the Church. I say, the Bishop's right; I should say, rather, his duty. And the recognition of such duty means two things: that the independent manhood of the Bishop's office ought to come in between a Priest, who is dependent very often on some rich and wilful sinner, and assume the responsibility of prohibition and penalty. And it means, what must follow, the establishing of some court of appeal behind, beyond, outside of, and apart from, the Bishop's court or the Diocese; some *Provincial Appellate Tribunal*, to revise and reverse the decisions of the Bishop, in this and other matters where he may be wrong. And I should feel myself a weak and foolish Bishop, if I did not desire and demand such an appeal, that I may be safer and stronger in the discharge of my own responsibility, by the consciousness, that if I am wrong, there is somebody and something that can set me right.

I have made the introduction to this part of my address broad, to cover something else than merely this Canon of the marriage of divorced people. In the first place, gross as the lawlessness upon this matter is, it is not half the wrong-doing of our country and our century. And the Church's silence, that has kept people in ignorance, is responsible for it. It is well-nigh impossible that men should know what is God's law, upon this grave and fundamental question, if "the Priest's lips *keep*" to themselves the "knowledge" of God's law. And I think we have failed sorely in our duty to this generation, in that we have never anywhere enacted and published a table of prohibited degrees. Just how to reach it now, is compassed with certain difficulties, because a generation has grown up, in the face of our silence and under the influence of low and lawless views on marriage, whom it would be difficult, if not unjust, to bring under the application of a canon enacted now. But I believe this might be averted by a solemn publication of the Law of God, for the warning and instruction of the people; its enforcement, with penalties, to come later. And I am sure that even harshness to the few is far kinder, than the timidity which suffers the many to rush ignorantly into sin. That we do not warn people of their sin, does not take away its sinfulness. It only makes us partakers in others' crimes.

It is well known that, in 1808, the House of Bishops, being asked by the

House of Deputies, declared their judgment that the Canon of the English Church on Marriage was "obligatory on this Church, and to remain so." It *will* be known, when the Journal of this last General Convention is published, that the subject was referred to in the House of Deputies, discussed in the House of Bishops, and decided by the Bishops in the same way, by a vote which was afterward reconsidered. The whole matter is now in the hands of a joint committee of both Houses. And we owe it, I think, to the grave importance of the question, in all its bearings, to examine it with unprejudiced care. I shall take early occasion, in a more thorough way than I could do it here, to state the argument and the authority upon which, I believe, that the persons described in the English Table of Affinity "are related," and so "forbidden in Scripture and our laws to marry together." If it provoke controversy, it will, at least, provoke enquiry, and so promote the truth, whose "pool," when it is troubled by the ripple of earnest and even contentious examination, is really "troubled by an angel," for the healing of those who are in error.

Beyond a peradventure, the matter of next consequence, in some ways the matter of first consequence, was the passage of what is known as the Missionary Canon. I call the attention of the Diocese to its three leading points. In the first place, it is going back to the old principle, of which my dear Father, with Dr. Bedell and Dr. Milnor were the prophets, in 1835; not only making the whole Church the Missionary Society, but making the General Convention, the largest representative of the Church, the Board of Missions. No man, it seems to me, can doubt, from this time forth, that the Church nails at her mast-head the Missionary colors. Her orders, no longer sealed, are: "Go forth, *and work everywhere*;" and the whole ship's crew, everybody on board, all baptized people, are *ὑπηρέται*, the under-rowers, to toil "in rowing," if need be, till the other shore is won.

The next principle is the unification of the work, which is all *one*. Only for convenience sake of administration, that men may give their minds to the different kinds of detail they require, to the philosophy of work abroad and work at home, the Committees of the Board deal, one, with Foreign, and one, with Domestic Missions. Other divisions are subdivisions, now, not independent Boards. Yielding to the pressure and power of this thought, the American Church Missionary Society, which is absorbed in the older Society (I wish we had absorbed their name), has not only made its organization auxiliary, but has gone further than it began, and given over its specific and most important work in Mexico, to the Foreign Committee of the Board.

And, lastly, the attempt to combine business and sentiment, which made the Board of Missions generally, unsuccessful in exciting interest, and uncertain in its transaction of business, has given way to something which remains still to be proved. The danger of failure, in the working of this new plan, lies just here. The Board of Managers of the Missionary Society is simply for the transaction of business. But there is something more than business in Missions. There are, or there ought to be, faith, courage, enthusiasm, sympathy, feeling, the venturesomeness of strong conviction; and if the Church

settles down to the idea that there are to be no large representative meetings, except triennially, to keep alive the coals upon the sacrificial altar, upon the Church's home hearth, of Missionary zeal ; or settles down to the idea that it has found a proxy, a substitute, for any active interest ; or settles down to the idea that, for the work thus made one by the union of its departments, one offertory a year is enough ; then the plan will fail. There must still be frequent offerings and fervent appeals. Men's money must still be allowed to flow out of the deep well of their personal interests, and into the channels which their personal feelings dig out ; to Indian, Freedman, Chinaman, African, Mexican ; to Minnesota, to Maine, to Greece, to Haiti ; wheresoever it will. There must be still great meetings gathered, from time to time, in various places, and stirred by song and speech ; and there should be formed, in every Diocese, Auxiliary Missionary Associations, in which Clergy and laymen shall vie, in distributing information and quickening interest in Parishes and Sunday Schools. With these protections, I believe, the working power of the Church will be enlarged in amount, and applied with greater accuracy and system to the progress of the work. I am glad to report to you, that steps have been already taken for the formation, (to be completed, I hope, while we are in session here) of the Albany Auxiliary Association to the Central Board of Managers.

The action of the General Convention upon the new Table of Lessons was permissive, and not compulsory. I do not know enough of the subject to speak, with either emphasis or definiteness, upon the relative advantages of the old and new, of the English or American Tables. I was disposed to the permission, because of its harmlessness, and of the seeming demand for it ; and, certainly, so far as the Lenten Table is concerned, the rationale of its selection, as given in the report of the Committee, is suggestive of much thought and taste. But I am not a little staggered by two things. So far as our own new Table is concerned, the very weighty and well-argued remonstrance of the Bishop of Connecticut disinclines me to " meddle with them that are given to *such* changes " as substitute the new, for the old Good Friday Lessons ; and the new English Table comes with a sort of caveat upon it, from the facts that already, in the Church of England, men like Wordsworth, and Goulburn, and Burgon, are questioning its wisdom ; and that, in the same moment of our permission to use, the English Church is craving permission to revise, it. Still, it may be tried ; but I shall be greatly obliged to the Clergy of the Diocese, who introduce it, if they will watch its use, and make such notes, especially where the Daily Calendar is in use, as will indicate whether or not " the old is better."

The next prominent action of the General Convention related, in two ways, one direct and one indirect, to the very important matter of a change in our Provincial system. The indirect reference to this was the division of Illinois into three, and of Virginia into two, Dioceses. This sort of thing cannot go much further without compelling, upon various grounds, the division of our one great Province into several Provinces. We have frivol-

ously frittered away our opportunity in this State ;' chiefly because the Canon of the General Convention, which permitted our federation, prohibited our doing much that was worth federating to do. The West will, I believe, be wiser, and the Church will learn wisdom ; and the Provincial System will come, not in the violent, cut-and-dried plan of geographically laying out maps of division ; but, as the reunion of divided Dioceses in a single State makes virtually the Province, which will be recognized afterwards.

I have dwelt at some length, elsewhere, upon an occurrence, in connection with a proposed amendment to the act of Incorporation of all our Churches in this State, which I hope will make some people in New York realize, that Provincial organization has in it something of practical importance, and is not merely a servile imitation of other countries and other times. I venture to say, that, had a Provincial Synod of the Dioceses of this State been called at once, to petition the Legislature against it, no man would have dared attempt to pass it by a subterfuge, even if it had ever received the courtesy of a first reference.

The direct legislation on Provinces, which found no time for discussion in the House of Deputies, and which discussion could not carry in our House, is again postponed. But it must come, and it will.

Of two Canons which failed to pass, I was not a little sorry about one, and glad, on the whole, about the other.

An hour's earlier introduction into the House of Deputies, of the Bishops' Canon of shortened services, or a day's longer session, or a little more conference, would, I think, have passed it. And I am sorry that it did not pass, for three reasons : First, I wish we could have asserted the principle, which seems to be clear and good, that the twenty-second Canon is our law of uniformity. If it be not, we have no law enforcing or regulating the use of the Book of Common Prayer. And the use of a book may vary, while the book remains invariable. A joint resolution altered the *use* of the Prayer Book, three years ago. And it is as important, I think, to make this easy ; as it is to make a change in the substance of the book itself, hard.

I am sorry, too, because, I believe the demand for shortened services is not real enough to be very lasting, so that it would be foolish to change the services in so formal and permanent a way, as by a rubric ; and yet it is real enough to deserve attention. The very permission to use the Morning and Evening Prayer, in shortened form, would so increase the realization of its beauty, that it would lead to the more general saying of a daily public service, and so, inevitably, to the more frequent use of the full offices in the Book of Common Prayer. It is idle folly, in our day, when not one Church in one hundred, throughout the land, is opened, except on Sundays, with, perhaps, here and there, a Litany Service besides, to insist upon the full use of the Daily Services, in the few places where they are said, at all. If the Order for Daily Morning and Daily Evening Prayer were generally observed, the demand for liberty to make the Service shorter would seem more real. And, I believe, when that permission rehabilitates the Church in her beautiful gar-



ments of frequent praise ; when the abomination of laziness and worldliness, that has taken away the Daily Sacrifice, is removed ; we shall find few cases where shortness is demanded ; and more readiness to grant it where it is. But the request for it seemed to me to have greater force, from what I learn to have been the general confession of liberty taken, in this matter. Many people opposed it, because "they had the power already to shorten the services as they would." If this lawlessness is as widespread as it seems, and if the executive power of the Church is unable and afraid to restrain it, then it means that we had better make lawful, that which, in itself, is not wrong. It is far better to say to all the Clergy : "You may omit certain portions ;" than to have a great many Clergy say, "I do omit what I please, and I mean to, right or wrong."

For one other reason, I was sorry not to have it passed. It indicated the fact, that the Church knows the difference between the minor Offices, and those which embody great and invariable truths of the Catholic Faith. There was a marvellous confusion, in the minds of some reported debaters upon this subject, on this very point. Some people feared that the General Convention *would, by Canon*, alter the Nicene Creed. Other people, who clamored, three years ago, for a change in the Baptismal Office, looked upon the "Dearly Beloved Brethren," as not the "jot and tittle," but the "Alpha and Omega" of unchangeable truth. We want a little liturgical clearness, and a little common sense, about this matter. Only an Ecumenical Council can touch a symbol of the Faith. And it is perilous, to say the least of it, for even a National Council, acting in its largest and most formal way, to alter its Sacramental Offices, without communication and conference, if not concurrence, with the Churches, with which it is in Communion. Individuals may be stupid about this, but the good sense of the Church can be trusted. The Ordinal, the Sacramental Offices, and the Catechism will not be altered by this Church, *ever*, in their doctrinal acts and words ; or *easily*, in any rubric or sentence of them. This is the sheet anchor of the Church's safety, by which, alone, however tossed about, she is safe from shipwreck by "the winds of doctrine." But the minor Offices, that lead up to these, and hold us to them, are pliable, as ropes are always ; and, by their lengthening and shortening, as occasion may demand, the anchorage is all the stronger, and the ship the less likely to be even tossed. We can alter, vary, adapt, change, and alter back again, the Morning and Evening Prayer, the Litany, the Hymnal. Even a Clergyman, certainly with his Bishop's approval, may, under sufficient warrant, modify their use. But no man has any right, and the Church has too much wisdom, to change even the order of even the modern parts of our Sacramental Offices. The construction, for instance, of the Communion Office has a meaning which we are bound to recognize, and make real. The recitation of the Decalogue, the recital of the Nicene Creed, indicate that only by obedience and Faith, can any man safely approach the Altar ; and you might as well omit the confession, which expresses the other requisite, of penitence, as omit these. While the incorporation into every celebration, of the Collect Epistle and Gospel, throws about the powerful pleading of the Eucha-

ristic Sacrifice, or about its worthiest offering of thanksgiving, the event of our Lord's Life, the record of His special act of Mercy, the revelation of His particular teaching, or the example of His faithful Saint; by which we plead, or for which we give thanks. So, while I should be ready to co-operate with you, in the exercise of any lawful liberty now, and in the demand for a more recognized liberty hereafter, in shortening the minor Offices of our ordinary worship; I must insist, with most urgent emphasis, upon the full use of the Sacramental Offices of our Liturgy.

The one other incomplete act of legislation was the proposed Canon on Sisterhoods, which, in its detail, I disliked, and for whose final loss, greatly as I deplored the spirit of its losing, I did not greatly grieve. My own interest, in the growth and government of Sisterhoods, is very deep and real, and is the result of no little thought, and study, and experience. But the proposed Canon, in my judgment, was unwise; and, I believe, it would have been either troublesome or ineffectual; probably both.

The compulsory uniformity of forms of admission to Sisterhoods throughout the Church; the dealing with Sisters and Deaconesses as though they are the same; the avowed and asserted intention to control even books of private devotion, important as I think it is, that they should be regulated; and the arbitrary power to suspend from office, without trial, a Sister suspected or accused; were the provisions of a severe discipline, which would have overreached itself; and which would either have prevented women from offering themselves to this work, or encouraged (what it was intended to prevent) their organization, utterly independently of the Bishops, not asking and not wishing their indorsement or approval, of voluntary associations of women for good works.

I believe, on these grounds, that the Canon would have been, unfortunately, passed. I do not know that any detailed legislation can yet, or can ever be wisely secured on this subject. I doubt if it ever has been in the history of the Church. But no man can look into the history of religious Orders, without feeling that they have caused more religious disorders than anything else in the Church; and the secret of the trouble has always been one and the same—a disregard of Diocesan Episcopal authority; it used to be, in old times, under pretence of obedience to the Bishop of Rome. Two patent illustrations of the remainder of this evil exist to-day in England. The Cathedrals of England, of the Monastic Foundation, whose architecture provides for a Bishop's chair as the symbol of his office, but whose Statutes virtually empty it, if not of his presence, at least of his power; and the authority, derived by lineal descent from the mitred Abbots of Westminster, which makes its Dean independent of any Episcopal control; these, and abuses and corruptions which have made the history of the monasteries and convents of Europe a stench to civilization and a curse to Christianity, are the out-comes of the spirit, which exists to-day, of removing religious orders from the control of the Bishop of the Diocese in which they are at work. The Pope was a distant figure-head in the old days, whose remote authority was the convenient excuse for disre-



garding the rule of the nearer Bishop. Now, there is not even the figure-head. But the demand is the same, and it is unchurchly, and dangerous, and wrong. No Bishop wants to add to his responsibility of ruling. But every Bishop wants to discharge it, and not to be held responsible for things removed from his control; and a Bishop is the Divinely appointed Ruler, with a gift, as well as an authority and responsibility. Calling him a tyrant or an inquisitor does not alter this fact; and it amazes me (I thank God I speak of no personal experience in this matter), that the very people who hold the highest views of the Apostolic lineage of Bishops, and of the Scriptural and Catholic authority of those religious organizations for which an Apostle once told a Bishop to make rules, and how to make them, should be the people, in our day, to resist the power and the ordinance of God. There is no more beneficent member of God's universe than the Sun, when Apollo drives its chariot, as the old fable had it. But when Phæthon supersedes him, there is nothing more mischievous. And the beautiful and blessed ministries of women, devoting their lives to self-denial and well-ordered consecration, to adorn *not* themselves only, but the Church and the world, with good works, are as full of mischief and misery, when uncontrolled, (history being the witness), as they are of mercy and benediction, when rightly ruled. And the Bishop is and ought to be the ruler. The unlimited authority of the Superior of a Sisterhood, of the governing body of women, or of the Director, so-called, chosen, possibly, by the Sisters, because he will direct them as they desire to be directed, these, all, are only forms of self-will. And I say it with the highest appreciation of women, and of the work of Sisters, they are forms of that worst sort of self-will, which takes the erratic caprices of sentimentalism for its guide; instead of the sober and practical principles of sound sense, and the calm judgment of men outside the atmosphere of secluded and separated lives. It may be unpopular to say it, but it is true; that, in the first place, women are not meant to bear rule, and men are; and, in the next place, the Ruler is the Bishop, and the Bishop in his Diocese, is the Ruler of the general Church work in it. The safety, I think, lies here; at least, until we feel our way towards a wise and more general agreement on broad principles. The House of Bishops does not need to rule each individual Bishop about these things. We cannot introduce the arbitrary trial of a Sister, till we are ready to encumber our Code of Canons with an elaborate system for trying them. We are safer without details, in the formative period of a great movement. But the principle ought to be laid down, and acquiesced in, and honestly acted upon, that the Bishop is the Head, with power, of all general religious associations in his Diocese. And that no Sister or Deaconess can do, what was the worst phase of mediæval religious orders, own allegiance to a foreign, outside authority; to the Bishop of another Diocese than that in which she is at work, or to any foreign Superior, by whatever name.

Of course, it is easier to carry this out, where the Bishop is able to order and organize his Diocesan Sisterhood under his own overseeing and rule; and, of course, I have no desire to dictate to other Bishops what they shall do. I

am only stating my own convictions of the real root of evil, which underlies so much positive good. And I am ready to acknowledge that it will make difficult, if not impossible, in some Dioceses, work of this sort. But, great as that loss would be, it is not so great as the introduction of disorder, and disobedience to the best established principles of Church government and law.

I cannot close this statement of my impression of the results of the General Convention, without a grateful record of what is beside, and beneath them all, the strengthening ties of love and sympathy among the Bishops, that made us homesick when we parted, and marked our House as a House of "men of one mind."

October 14. Twentieth Sunday after Trinity. I preached in old Christ Church, Boston, redolent with venerable memories, historical, ecclesiastical, personal. My Father and Mother were married here. Dear Dr. Croswell wrought out here, much of his three-fold honour, as "Poet, Pastor, Priest." And the honourable and almost unchanged antiquity of building and furniture, has a peculiar charm. In asking, at the Rector's request, for gifts towards a fund, for the maintenance of the building, I needed only to take the words of the Psalter for the day, with its mingled prayer and promise; for the old spire, while its chimes rang out, seemed to pierce Heaven with just this petition for future maintenance, and support, "Forsake me not, O God! in mine old age, when I am gray-headed, until I have showed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all them that are yet for to come."

In the afternoon, I preached in Trinity Church, Boston; and so was, in the same day, in my Father's shoes, and my God-father's; finding them both "a world too wide."

October 21. In the Church of the Advent, Boston, I preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. By a gracious coincidence, it was the day of Dr. Croswell's death, before the very Altar, at which he laid his armor down.

In the evening, of the same day, I preached in St. Peter's Church, Cambridge, Mass., before the St. Paul's Society, of Harvard University.

October 24. The General Convention adjourned.

October 28, A. M. Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity. I preached in the Church of Our Saviour, Longwood. The falling of a very sad and sudden sorrow, necessarily and entirely changed my plans; so that I was not only prevented from being present at the Consecration of the Missionary Bishop, of Shanghai; but lost the comfort and the pleasure, of the Hallow-E'en lighting of the fire, at St. Agnes, and of our All Saints' Feast, in the Cathedral; and missed, to my great regret, the opportunity of taking my part in the most successful Semi-Centennial Festival of St. Paul's Parish, Albany. The published record of the admirable sermons, and the still more admirable results of this Parochial history, is matter of just pride, and hearty congratulation, not only to the indefatigable Rector of the Parish, but to all the Churchmen, of Albany.

November 5. I organized St. John's Mission, East Line. Bishop Elliott, at my request, confirmed, in Grace Church, Waterford, ten persons. The

Parish is bereaved, as are the Cathedral and St. Agnes School, by Mr. Shoup's departure.

November 9. I organized St. Mary's Mission, Colton.

November 30. St. Andrew's Day. In St. Peter's Church, Albany, I ordained to the Priesthood, the Rev. Frank Smith, presented by the Rev. Mr. Battershall. The sermon was preached by the Rev. President Potter. I celebrated, assisted by the Rev. Archdeacon Howard, the Rev. Dr. Harison, and the Rev. Messrs. Thompson, Temple, and the Rector. The Clergy, laying on hands with me, were the Dean and the Rector, and the Reverend Drs. Potter and Reese, Messrs. Caird, Norton, Selkirk, Schwartz, and S. E. Smith. The Rev. Messrs. Coan, Chapman and Granniss, were present. The "corona presbyterorum" was finely exemplified at this service. With the same Clergy, and several prominent laymen, we organized the Albany Auxiliary Missionary Association to the Board of Managers of Foreign and Domestic Missions. It was an interested and united meeting. I hope the Convention will find time, to enable us to devote, part at least, of an evening, to give final shape, and full reality, to this Association. The chief danger attending the change in the administration of our General Missionary work, lies in diminishing, too much the number of those who have, and feel, the interest in it of direct, personal responsibility, and something to do.

In the evening, I was present at the Choir Festival, in St. Peter's Church, which was successful, and, I believe, useful, in every way. It was very gratifying to find how religious music, in a consecrated building, controlled, from any approach to disorder, the dense gathering of people there. It was a gracious thought, that distributed the offertory, on this occasion, among the charitable institutions of Albany, giving \$70 to the Child's Hospital.

December 9. Second Sunday in Advent. I preached the first of a week's series of Advent Sermons, in the Cathedral. The other preachers, who kindly helped in the work, were the Rev. Mr. Courtney, and the Rev. Drs. Seymour and Potter, of New York, and the Rev. Dr. Harison, of Troy, Mr. Oberly, of West Troy, and Mr. Battershall, Mr. Schwartz, and Dr. Reese, of Albany. The Dean closed the course, on the evening of the Third Sunday in Advent. The services and instructions were stirring and impressive, bringing out what we have need, more and more, to learn, the teachings of the Advent season.

Friday, December 21. St. Thomas' Day. In the Cathedral Chapel, I ordered Priest, the Rev. Richard Clinton Searing, presented by the Rev. Mr. Carey. I preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion. The Priests uniting in the laying on of hands, were the Dean and the Precentor, and Mr. Carey.

In the evening, in the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Stockport, I preached and confirmed nineteen persons, making, in all, this year, thirty-three. I am, more than ever, impressed with the amount and ability of the Rector's work here.

December 23. Fourth Sunday in Advent. In St. Luke's Church, Troy, I preached and confirmed sixteen persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

It was a second confirmation in this Parish, and made the whole number thirty-three, which is good evidence of earnest and energetic and acceptable work.

In the afternoon, in Grace Church, Albany, I baptized the Rector's infant child, and addressed the Sunday School; and afterwards, in the Cathedral Chapel, I confirmed one person.

December 27. St. John the Evangelist. In St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville, I preached, baptized an adult, confirmed five persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

There was a sense of double pain, in missing from her accustomed seat, Janet Tallmadge, who had been for many years, faithful as she was skilful, as the organist of the Parish; a true lover of the Church, and always earnest in her service; and, beside this, a sweet and gracious girl, whose sudden taking away leaves sore hearts behind, not only in her father's house, but in the Parish, and wherever she was known.

In the evening, in St. John's Church, Stillwater, I preached and confirmed two persons.

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January 3. In the Cathedral Chapel I confirmed two persons.

In the evening, in St. John's Church, Salem, I preached and confirmed five persons.

January 13. First Sunday after the Epiphany, P.M. In the Free Church of the Epiphany, Bath, I preached and confirmed eleven persons.

I go back, after this long interval of seeming interruption, to the words of Holy Scripture, which would have been the text, if this had been a sermon; for, in the grateful survey of the year's results to the Diocese, as in the gracious outcome of our great triennial gathering, we have both right and reason to "stand still," in thankful recognition of "mercies multiplied," and "see the salvation of God." And we have need, as well, to find, and feel, the stimulus of that complementary command: "Go forward," with larger efforts, and quickened energies, to the work that lies ahead. I count, among the precious evidences of our own growth, this year, first, of all, the seal of ministerial faithfulness, in the increased number of confirmations, which exceed, by nearly two hundred, the numbers of any preceding year. Four new Church buildings, and the outreaching of Missionary work, into several places, hitherto uncared for; the completion of the Child's Hospital, and the consequent increase of its benefactions; the unusual number of Ordinations, and the larger number of postulants and candidates, for Holy Orders, are subjects for devout congratulation. And, while I cannot conceal my disappointment, in the failure of certain Parishes to equal, in their offerings, the expectation of the Board; and do not desire to cover up the fact, that our diminished Missionary debt, this year, is due, in part, to the painful fact of diminished stipends, and discontinued stations, and Churches closed; I am glad to acknowledge, a very marked increase of interest, and recognized duty, and generous effort, in a very large proportion of the Parishes, as to their gifts to

Diocesan Missions. It is proof enough of this, and, at the same time, sufficient vindication of the just wisdom of the Board, in their allotment of amounts, among the Parishes, that 53 Parishes have exceeded, and 17 have come up to it, and 24 that were not asked, at all, have given, and only 37 have fallen short. It needs, only, a continuance of this same spirit, the natural progress of this year's marked improvement, to bring this Diocese well-nigh up to the full measure of its duty. A careful examination, which I hope the Churchmen of the Diocese will make of the Treasurer's Report of the amounts asked and given from each Parish, shows the following remarkable results: We asked \$10,155, \$10,946.84 have been given; \$792.29 more than we asked. The Convocation of Albany fell short of its assessment \$40. The Convocation of Troy exceeded its assessment \$15. The Convocation of the Susquehanna exceeded its assessment \$66, and the Convocation of Ogdensburgh exceeded its assessment \$358. But for the debt, we could have done our work without diminishing a stipend or a station. At this same rate of giving, and the present reduced standard of work, we can be clear of debt next year. I hope and ask the better thing of larger gifts, to restore the old scale of missionary operations, and pay the debt as well. But either way, the showing, this year, is certainly most gratifying.

It is matter of public knowledge, that, after consultation with the English and Colonial and American Bishops, the Archbishop of Canterbury has issued to us all a printed Circular, proposing a Conference of Bishops of the Anglican Communion, to be held at Lambeth, in the month of July, 1878; beginning on the second day, and continuing through the month. I confess to a divided feeling, as to my own presence at the Conference. The expenditure of money and time; the absence from the duties and interests at home, and my very strong sense of the *dissociabile mare*, are serious objections on the one hand; and, added to one's sense of personal inconsequence, in such a gathering as this will be, weigh the scale down toward the decision to stay at home. But, on the other hand, come in the lessons of a life-time, that no Bishop owes a higher duty to his office and his Master, and the Church, than to be present always in his place, in any gathered council of his brethren. It is not, of course, so much with the idea of adding counsel to the consultations, as of participating in the thought and earnestness of such deliberations, and of discharging, at least, the part which is assigned to me, as a Bishop in the Church of God. I am abundantly convinced that the assembling of the first Conference at Lambeth, brief and informal, as it was, was productive of important and valuable results. And it is very evident from the longer time allotted to this conference, and from comprehensive character of the subjects selected for discussion, that even more distinctive and definite issues are likely to proceed from this. I say this to answer the objection which weighs with some minds, that it is hardly worth while to gather Bishops from the ends of the earth, for an informal and social meeting, which passes no resolutions, and indeed takes no action at all. Not agreeing with the theory of this criticism, nor acknowledging its applica-

tion to the first Conference, it is almost within *our* limited power of prophecy, to foretell more patent and positive results this time. The Encyclical Letter of the Bishops, the increasing relations of intimacy, personal and official, between the Church of England and ourselves, have in themselves justified the wisdom of the tentative gathering ten years ago. And these furnish the safeguards, and indicate the certainty that more will be accomplished now. To the objectors, from another point of view, who foresee the evils of Episcopal arrogancy and assumption ignoring the coördinate rights and responsibilities of the other clergy and the lay people, I have also something to say. There can be no question that some practical matters of grave importance are waiting settlement; our relations to the old Catholic movement; the establishment of, and terms of intercommunion with, antonomous national Churches; the relations among Foreign Missionary Episcopates, English and American; the question of English and American chaplaincies abroad; and, above all, that which was suggested in the first Conference, a plan for regulated, representative synodical action among the different portions of our Communion. There must be much *discussion*, before there can be any *decision*, of detail. And the Bishops are competent for this discussion, and *only* for this discussion.

If I should go to Lambeth, it would be in the special hope, and with the special purpose, that we might there agree upon some plan, to be submitted afterward to the deliberative bodies of each National Church, for the formation of a General Council, in which each National Church should be represented, by delegates, Episcopal, clerical and lay; and whose decision should be binding only upon such National Churches as should approve and adopt them. Not the character of individual Bishops only, but still more the solemn sense of responsibility of the collected Episcopate, must be guarantee enough to any churchman, that no final action upon any important question would be taken by the Bishops *alone*. Only what "pleases the Apostles and Elders with the whole Church," can ever go forth with the sanction, "this seemeth good to the Holy Ghost, and to us."

The Diocese has made great gains, in its added Clergy; and met with great losses, which, in more ways than in numbers, counterbalance the gains. None among them all will be more felt, in the Diocese at large, or in the Diocese assembled, than the loss of Dr. Pennell, not only from his place of work in his missions, in the Convocation of Ogdensburgh, and in this Convention, but from the various posts of office and of honour, in which the Diocese had placed him. I confess to a feeling of age and sadness, and of the sorrowfulness of perpetual change, as I find upon the list, which I present to the Convention to-day, out of one hundred and twenty clergy, only twenty-seven whom I have not received into the Diocese myself; which means forty-one gone, in ten years, out of the sixty-eight clergy of the primary Convention of the Diocese. But through all the sense of change and personal loss, I have great comfort and satisfaction, in the unbroken relation of interest and affection, which those who have gone, continue to bear to the Diocese, and to



me ; in the positive increase of workers, and the enlargement of the work ; and in the vitality and unity of the Diocese throughout, of which the agent of one of our General Societies, who, like Ulyssees, "had travelled much, and seen many people and lands," said to me, "that he knew no Diocese so thoroughly at work, and at one." Not in the empty conceit of self congratulation, but in the good courage of men who give praise to God, and use the past success, only as vantage ground for further triumphs, we shall go on to our deliberations, and back to our several places of work,

"Strong in the strength which God supplies,  
Through His Eternal Son."

The detailed record of acts is as follows :

Confirmed 1,356 persons ; Celebrations of the Holy Communion, 115 ; Sermons, 200 ; Addresses, 8 ; Catechisings, 8 ; Clergy dismissed, 15 ; Clergy died, 1 ; Clergy received, 9 ; Clergy added by ordination, 5. Present number of Clergy : Bishop, 1 ; Priests, 106 ; Deacons, 10. Total, 117. Priests ordained, 10 ; Deacons ordained, 5 ; Ordinations, 15 ; Institutions, 1 ; Postulants admitted, 5 ; Postulants received, 1 ; admitted as Candidates for Deacon's Order, 4 ; admitted as Candidates for Priest's Order, 2 ; total Candidates for Deacon's Order, 12 ; total Candidates for Priest's Order, 6 ; Candidates for Holy Orders, 18 ; Licensed as Lay Readers, 6 ; Churches Consecrated, 3 ; Buildings set apart, 2 ; Missions organized, 2 ; Baptisms, 11 ; Marriages, 2 ; Burials, 2 ; Notices of Deposition, 18.

I have attended the following meetings :

Board of Missions, 5 ; General Theological Seminary, 1 ; Convocations of Troy and Albany, 1 each ; House of Bishops, 1 ; Managers of the Missionary Society, 1 ; Trustees of the Corning Foundation, 4 ; Chapter of the Cathedral, 10 ; Managers of the Child's Hospital, 11 ; Trustees of the Orphan House, Cooperstown, 2 ; Trustees of Bede Hall, 2.

#### ORDINATIONS, A.D. 1877.

January 24. Charles Edwin Cragg, to the Diaconate, and the Rev. Charles Arthur Bragdon, to the Priesthood, in Christ Church, Port Henry.

May 25. William Morton Pickslay, to the Diaconate, in the Chapel of St. John the Evangelist, Barrytown.

May 31. Scott Bogie Rathbun, to the Diaconate, in St. Paul's Church, Franklin.

June 11. St. Barnabas Day. Richard Clinton Searing, to the Diaconate, the Rev. Anson J. Brockway, Ernest A. Hartman, Frederic O. Granniss, Charles S. Olmsted, to the Priesthood, in Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs.

June 24. St. John Baptist's Day. Robert Granger, to the Diaconate, in the Chapel of the Cathedral, Albany.

August 23. The Rev. James Richard Langford Nisbett, to the Priesthood, in Trinity Church, Potsdam.

August 28. The Rev. William Mason Cook, to the Priesthood, in St. Paul's Church, Keeseville.

September 21. St. Matthew's Day. The Rev. William Henry Beardslee, to the Priesthood, in the Chapel of the Cathedral, Albany.

November 30. St. Andrew's Day. The Rev. Frank Smith, to the Priesthood, in St. Peter's Church, Albany.

December 21. St. Thomas' Day. The Rev. Richard Clinton Searing, to the Priesthood, in the Chapel of the Cathedral, Albany.

RECTOR INSTITUTED.

January 28. The Rev. John Henry Houghton, into the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Salem.

CLERGYMEN RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

February 7. The Rev. Frederic Mayer Bird, from the Diocese of Indiana.

February 23. The Rev. Ernest Augustus Hartman, Deacon, from the Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

March 20. The Rev. Herbert Clarkson Miller, from the Diocese of Maine.

April 12. The Rev. William H. Phillips, from the Diocese of Maryland.

September 4. The Rev. John T. Pearce, from the Diocese of Connecticut.

September 11. The Rev. Charles T. Whittemore, Deacon, from the Diocese of New York.

November 21. The Rev. Charles S. Knapp, from the Diocese of New York.

November 28. The Rev. George C. Griswold, from the Diocese of Connecticut.

December 10. The Rev. Augustus Prime, from the Diocese of Fredericton, N. B.

CLERGYMEN DISMISSED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

February 14. The Rev. J. H. Hobart De Mille, to the Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

May 1. The Rev. A. L. Royce, to the Diocese of Wisconsin.

May 19. The Rev. Z. T. Savage, to the Diocese of New Jersey.

May 22. The Rev. William H. Gallagher, to the Diocese of Iowa.

June 27. The Rev. Michael Scofield, to the Diocese of Western New York.

July 3. The Rev. Arthur Whitaker, to the Diocese of Ripon, England.

July 28. The Rev. T. A. Snively, to the Diocese of Long Island.

August 9. The Rev. T. W. Barry, to the Diocese of Ontario, Canada.

August 9. The Rev. R. D. Irwin, to the Diocese of Montreal, Canada.

August 29. The Rev. F. M. Bird, to the Diocese of Iowa.

September 5. The Rev. Thomas B. Berry, to the Diocese of Fond du Lac.

September 29. The Rev. William Henry Beardslee, to the Diocese of New York.

November 17. The Rev. Charles A. Bragdon, to the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

December 19. The Rev. F. Duncan Jaudon, to the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

December 31. The Rev. George C. Pennell, S. T. D., to the Diocese of Northern New Jersey.



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January 5. The Rev. C. F. A. Bielby, to the Diocese of Western New York.

POSTULANTS, A.D. 1873.

October 31. Mr. William Booth Guion.

A.D. 1874.

February 6. Mr. Jacob Streibert, Jr.

A.D. 1875.

April 1. Mr. Olin Hallock. May 4, Mr. J. R. Arrowsmith. October 1, Mr. F. C. Jewell.

A.D. 1876.

October 16, Mr. James Hawley.

A.D. 1877.

March 1, Mr. H. H. Metcalf. March 1, Mr. L. S. Tilton. April 9, Dr. Wm. E. Rust. August 6, Mr. Robert H. Neide. October 17, received from New York, Mr. Charles C. Edmunds, Jr. November 1, Mr. John D. Kennedy.

CANDIDATES FOR DEACON'S ORDER, A.D. 1874.

Mr. Bradford R. Kirkbride.

A.D. 1875.

January 13, Mr. Irving Crandall. October 8, Mr. Wm. C. Sherman.

A.D. 1876.

March 9, Mr. John B. Hubbs, Mr. Fred. Bassett, Mr. Edwin R. Armstrong, Mr. Townend Clover Jackson. July 8, Mr. W. B. Burrows.

A.D. 1877.

May 14, Mr. L. S. Tilton. December 18, Mr. John Prout, Mr. Robert H. Neide, Mr. Charles C. Edmunds, Jr.

CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDER, A.D. 1874.

The Rev. Wm. M. Pickslay, B.A.

A.D. 1875.

The Rev. Robert Granger, Mr. Wm. C. Sherman.

A.D. 1876.

The Rev. Newton Dexter.

A.D. 1877.

Mr. Bradford R. Kirkbride, the Rev. Scott B. Rathbun.

LAY READERS LICENSED.

Mr. Walter E. Welsh, Caldwell, under the Rev. Mr. Lancaster.

Mr. Gurdon S. Mills, Hogansburgh, under the Rev. Mr. Goss.

Mr. George E. Smith, Massena, under the Rev. Mr. Goss.

Mr. Frank McNaughton, Schuylerville, under the Rev. Dr. Dean

Mr. Lorenzo McIntyre, Mr. Morris, under the Rev. Mr. Cook.

Mr. J. H. Hulsapple, West Troy, under the Rev. Mr. Oberly.

Mr. C. C. Edmunds, Jr.

**NOTICES OF CLERGY DEPOSED.**

- November 23, 1876. Wm. Thomas Campbell, Deacon, by the Bishop of Iowa.
- December 1, 1876. Isaiah J. Babcock, Deacon, by the Bishop of Western Michigan.
- December 19, 1876. Gideon D. Simmons, Deacon, by the Bishop of Iowa.
- December 26, 1876. J. Godfrey Jones, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Southern Ohio.
- January 7, 1877. Wm. Alfred Jenks, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.
- January 19. Perceval Becket, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Pittsburgh.
- January 31. Robert Trewartha, Deacon, by the Bishop of Iowa.
- February 22. J. R. Swancoat, Deacon, by the Bishop of Texas.
- March 7. Charles Thorpe, reported liable to trial, by the Bishop of Quebec.
- March 10. Henry G. Brown, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Texas.
- May 4. John Flanagan, Deacon, by the Bishop of Indiana.
- May 14. Alonzo M. May, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Iowa.
- May 16. Benjamin S. Seymour, Deacon, by the Bishop of Pittsburgh.
- May 21. Wm. T. Helm, Presbyter, by the Bishop of North Carolina.
- June 14. Samuel J. Corneille, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Central New York.
- June 21. Luther H. Strycker, Presbyter, by the Missionary Bishop of Colorado.
- August 8. Lorenzo D. Ferguson, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Western Michigan.
- December 3. William Gill, Deacon, by the Missionary Bishop of Colorado.
- December 9. Francis Pennington Mackall, Deacon, by the Bishop of Northern New Jersey.
- December 21. Robert A. Simpson, Presbyter, by the Bishop of North Carolina.

**BUILDINGS SET APART OR CONSECRATED.**

- February 13. The Child's Hospital.
- May 14. St. John's Chapel, East Line.
- August 7. Trinity Chapel, Duaneburgh.
- September 12. St. James' Church, Ausable Forks.
- September 13. The Church of St. John in the Wilderness, St. Regis Lake.

**MISSIONS ORGANIZED.**

St. John's Mission, East Line; St. Mary's Mission, Colton.

After the Service, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop of the Diocese.

In accordance with Section i, Canon I, of the Diocese, the Bishop presented the "List of Clergy canonically resident in the Diocese."

The Assistant Secretary called the roll of the Clergy, and eighty-two answered to their names:

The Reverend  
 R. Julius Adler,  
 Reginald H. Barnes,  
 Walton W. Battershall,  
 Samuel B. Bostwick, S.T.D.,  
 James Caird,  
 Joseph Carey,  
 Edgar T. Chapman,  
 Edwin Coan,  
 J. B. Colhoun,  
 William H. Cook,  
 William M. Cook,  
 Hobart Cooke,  
 Fenwick M. Cookson,  
 Charles E. Cragg,  
 Albert Danker, Ph.D.,  
 George W. Dean, S.T.D.,  
 Walter Delafield,  
 Newton Dexter,  
 Charles C. Edmunds,  
 George Fisher,  
 F. O. Granniss,  
 W. Charles Grubbe,  
 Walker Gwynne,  
 Byron J. Hall,  
 James E. Hall,  
 R. G. Hamilton,  
 Francis Harison, S.T.D.,  
 Ernest A. Hartman,

The Reverend  
 James Haughton,  
 Reeve Hobbie,  
 Joseph Hooper,  
 John W. Houghton,  
 William N. Irish,  
 James S. Kent,  
 Charles S. Knapp,  
 William W. Lord, D.D.,  
 J. W. McIlwaine,  
 J. D. Morrison,  
 Joseph N. Mulford,  
 George L. Neide,  
 J. R. L. Nisbett,  
 Frank L. Norton,  
 Henry H. Oberly,  
 William M. Ogden,  
 Russell A. Olin,  
 C. S. Olmsted,  
 J. William Paige,  
 William Payne, D.D.,  
 John T. Pearce,  
 Edward M. Pecke,  
 Charles Pelletreau,  
 William H. Phillips,  
 William M. Pickslay,  
 John B. Pitman,  
 E. N. Potter, D.D.,

The Reverend  
 Augustus Prime,  
 William C. Prout,  
 J. Livingston Reese, D.D.,  
 William B. Reynolds,  
 John H. Rogers,  
 Edwin B. Russell,  
 David L. Schwartz,  
 Richard C. Searing,  
 John D. Skene,  
 Edward Selkirk,  
 James H. Smith,  
 Samuel E. Smith,  
 Frank Smith,  
 Theodore A. Snyder,  
 James W. Stewart,  
 Alfred H. Stubbs,  
 Richard Temple,  
 Walter Thompson,  
 J. Ireland Tucker, S.T.D.,  
 Charles H. Vandyne,  
 William B. Walker,  
 Robert Washbon,  
 Erastus Webster,  
 Robert Weeks,  
 J. W. H. Weibel,  
 Charles T. Whittemore,  
 Moses E. Wilson.

The roll of Parishes entitled to representation was called, and the Bishop appointed the Rev. W. C. Prout, and Messrs. N. B. Squiers and G. B. Smith, as a Committee to examine the credentials of the Lay Delegates.

The Committee presented the credentials of sixty-three Parishes as correct.

The Assistant Secretary then called the names of the Delegates, and thirty-four Parishes were found to be represented :

#### ALBANY COUNTY.

*S. John's Church, Cohoes, Michael Andrae.*

*Trinity Church, West Troy, P. V. Hagner, John H. Hulsapple.*

*Trinity Church, Albany, William Grey, George F. Granger.*

*Grace Church, Albany, Charles W. White, Francis Freckleton.*

*Church of the Holy Innocents, Albany, S. M. Van Santvoord, William Meason.*

*Cathedral of All Saints, Albany, Orlando Meads, A. Bleecker Banks, Erastus Corning.*

#### DELAWARE COUNTY.

*S. John's Church, Delhi, Robert P. Cormack, John Colhoun, M.D.*

*Christ Church, Walton, George St. John, George C. Seeley.*

FULTON COUNTY.

*S. John's Church, Johnstown, A. S. Van Voast.*

GREENE COUNTY.

*Trinity Church, Athens, Daniel S. Thornton.*

HERKIMER COUNTY.

*Emmanuel Church, Little Falls, Abram Haun.*

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

*Zion Church, Fonda, Richard H. Cushney, Henry T. E. Brower, Giles H. F. Van Horne.*

OTSEGO COUNTY.

*Zion Church, Morris, Silas S. Matteson, G. Clayton Peck.*

*Christ Church, Cooperstown, G. Pomeroy Keese.*

*Grace Church, Cherry Valley, Henry Roseboom, Abram B. Cox.*

*S. John's Church, Portlandville, Robert M. Townsend.*

RENSSELAER COUNTY.

*S. Paul's Church, Troy, Joseph W. Fuller, James Forsyth, J. Henry Ferriss.*

*Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, James McQuide.*

*S. John's Church, Troy, Norman B. Squiers, William A. Thompson, Thomas A. Tillinghast.*

*Christ Church, Troy, George B. Smith, William Kemp, Liberty Gilbert.*

*S. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls, Walter A. Wood.*

*Church of the Messiah, Greenbush, John Van Valkenburgh, Kelly Atwood, Geo. Low.*

*S. Luke's Church, Troy, Frederick A. Stow, James Wood.*

SARATOGA COUNTY.

*Christ Church, Ballston Spa, James W. Horton, William S. Wheeler.*

*S. Paul's Church, Charlton, William T. Birdsall, William Taylor.*

*Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, A. B. Olmstead.*

*S. Stephen's Church, Schuylerville, Frederic McNaughton.*

SCHENECTADY COUNTY.

*Christ Church, Schenectady, James D. Featherstonhaugh, William C. Baker.*

*S. George's Church, Schenectady, George Curtis, Henry J. Estcourt.*

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY.

*S. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, Edward M. Holbrook.*

WARREN COUNTY.

*Church of the Messiah, Glens Falls, William Aug. Wait, Edward Trevvett, Leonard G. McDonald.*

## WASHINGTON COUNTY.

*S. James' Church, Fort Edward, Ernest Elmore.*

*S. Paul's Church, Salem, James Gibson, Albert K. Broughton.*

*S. Luke's Church, Cambridge, Charles T. Hawley.*

A constitutional quorum being present, the Rt. Rev. President declared the Convention organized and ready for business.

The election of officers being in order, on motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with.

The Rev. Edward M. Pecke was elected Secretary, Mr. Selden E. Marvin, Treasurer, and the Rev. George Fisher, Registrar.

The Secretary appointed the Rev. William C. Prout as the Assistant Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Orlando Meads, it was

*Resolved*, That Clergymen of other Dioceses, Professors and Students of Theology in the Episcopal Church, and all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present, be invited to seats in the Convention.

The Rt. Rev. President having announced the invitation, the Rev. A. T. Twing, D.D., of the Diocese of New York; the Rev. H. T. Gregory, of the Diocese of South Carolina; the Rev. D. G. Anderson, of the Diocese of Massachusetts, and Mr. Selden E. Marvin, Treasurer of the Convention, took seats.

The Committee appointed to examine the credentials of the Lay Delegates, reported the certificates from S. Peter's Church, Albany, and S. Ann's Church, Amsterdam, as incorrect; each wanting the signature of the Clerk of the Vestry.

The Rev. Dr. Harison moved that the certificates be referred back to the respective Parishes for correction.

This motion was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. R. H. Cushney, it was

*Resolved*, That the certificates be accepted, and the delegates admitted to seats in the Convention.

A count being called for, it was found that there were *forty-nine* affirmative and *twenty-seven* negative votes.

The Secretary then called the names of the delegates, and the following-named members answered to their names and took their seats, viz. :

*S. Peter's Church, Albany, J. T. Cooper, Henry R. Pierson.*

*S. Ann's Church, Amsterdam, W. Max Reid, C. B. Chase.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison, it was

*Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the "Act to provide for the Incorporation of Religious Societies," be referred to a Special Committee.

The Bishop appointed, as such Committee, the Rev. F. Harison, S.T.D., the Rev. J. L. Reese, D.D., and Messrs. J. H. Van Antwerp, Erastus Corning, and H. R. Pierson.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Payne, it was

*Resolved*, That it be referred to this Committee to inquire into the expediency of the Federate Council being called together, and, if deemed expedient, to recommend measures thereunto necessary.

On motion of the Secretary, the following were adopted as the Rules of Order of this Convention :

### RULES OF ORDER.

1. After the administration of the Holy Communion, the President shall take the chair, and call the Convention to order.

2. If the President *ex officio* is not present at the opening of the Convention, the Secretary of the last Convention shall call the Convention to order, when the Presbyter, senior by ordination, present, shall take the chair; and, in such case, immediately after the organization of the Convention, a President shall be elected from among the clergy.

3. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand, unless to address the Chair.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS.

#### FIRST DAY.

4. After the Convention is called to order, the roll of the clergy and of the parishes entitled to representation shall be called by the Secretary of the last Convention; the certificates of the lay deputies, as presented, being referred to a committee consisting of the Secretary and two members appointed by the President. If a quorum of twenty clergy and a representation of twenty parishes be present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized.

5. The first business shall be the election of a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Registrar. The Secretary may appoint one or more Assistant Secretaries, announcing their names to the Convention.

6. Notices, resolutions, motions and other miscellaneous business shall then be in order.

7. The following committees shall be appointed by the President :

A. On the Admission of Parishes into Union with the Convention.

B. On the Constitution and Canons.

C. On the Treasurer's Accounts.

D. On the Diocesan Fund and Mileage of the Clergy.

E. On Diocesan Missions.

F. On the Bishop's Salary and the Episcopal Fund.

G. On the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

H. On the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.

I. On the General Theological Seminary.

- J. On the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning.
  - K. On Unfinished Business.
  - L. On Non-reporting Clergy and Parishes.
8. Business for these Committees shall be received in the following order :
- A. Report of the Treasurer.
  - B. Report of the Board of Diocesan Missions.
  - C. Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund and of the Bishop's Salary.
  - D. Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and the Treasurer of the same.
  - E. Report of the Trustees of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, and the Treasurer of the same.
  - F. Report of the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning.
- These Reports, and those mentioned in the next Rule, shall be referred to the appropriate Committees, and shall not be read until such Committees be ready to report upon them.
9. A. Report of the Committee on Applications of Parishes for Admission.
- B. Report of the Secretary of the Convention.
  - C. Report of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.
  - D. Report of the Registrar of the Diocese.
  - E. Report of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Bible and Prayer Book Society of Albany and its Vicinity.
  - F. Reports from the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, Cooperstown.
  - G. Reports of Special Committees, appointed at the last Convention.
  - H. Miscellaneous business.

#### SECOND DAY.

10. On the second and each succeeding day of the session, after Daily Morning Prayer, the order of business, which shall not be departed from without the consent of two-thirds of the members present, or a special Order of the Day previously voted, shall be as follows :

- A. Reading, correcting and approving the Minutes of the previous day.
- B. Calling the roll of members absent on the previous day.
- C. Reports from the Regular Committees of the House, in the order of their appointment.
- D. Reports from Special Committees, in the order of their appointment.
- E. Unfinished Business.
- F. Miscellaneous Business.

11. The Bishop's Address is in order at any time.

12. The Annual Elections shall be held at noon on the second day, and continued at the order of the House until completed.

13. All Reports embodying long statements of accounts shall be accompanied with a brief abstract of them ; and such abstract only shall be printed in the Journal.



## GENERAL.

14. When any member is about to speak, he shall rise from his seat, and shall, with due respect, address himself in an audible tone of voice to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

15. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House ; nor more than once, until every other member wishing to speak shall have spoken.

16. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless it be seconded, and reduced to writing when required, and announced by the Chair.

17. The mover may withdraw a motion or resolution, at any time before amendment or decision, with the consent of the Convention ; in which case it shall not be entered upon the minutes.

18. When a question is under consideration, it shall be in order to move to lay it upon the table, to postpone it indefinitely, to postpone it to a time certain, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it ; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order here named.

19. If the question under debate contains several distinct propositions, the same shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately ; except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

20. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order ; but a substitute for such second amendment, or a substitute for the whole matter, may be received. No proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be received under colour of a substitute.

21. A motion to lay upon the table shall be decided without debate.

22. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order when no member is speaking ; and, if unqualified, shall be decided without debate. If negatived, it shall not be renewed until some other business has intervened.

23. When a question is put by the President, it shall be determined by the sound of voices, for or against it ; but any three members may require a count of the votes, and tellers for that purpose shall then be appointed by the Chair ; or any five votes may require that the decision be by yeas and nays and by orders, which shall be done by calling the roll of the Clerical members and Parishes represented, and the votes shall be entered on the Journal.

24. When the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

25. Every member present shall vote when a question is put, unless excused by a vote of the House.

26. A motion once determined, whether in the affirmative or the negative, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be considered during the same session, unless the motion to reconsider be made by one of the majority on the first decision, and be carried by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

27 All questions of order shall be decided by the President, subject to an appeal to the House; and on such appeal no member shall speak more than once, without leave of the Convention.

28. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

29. The reports of all committees shall be in writing; and, unless recommended, shall be received of course, without motion for acceptance. They shall be entered on the minutes, unless otherwise ordered. If recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the Convention, they shall be accompanied by a resolution or resolutions for its consideration.

30. No rule of order shall be suspended, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; nor shall any be changed or rescinded without one day's previous notice.

31. No member shall absent himself from the session of the Convention without leave of the President.

32. Before the final adjournment of the Convention, the Minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read, corrected and approved.

33. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

## STANDING ORDER.

### OF THE CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS.

Whereas, it is expedient to provide by a Standing Order, for the manner of conducting all elections by ballot in the Convention of the Diocese of Albany, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. The President of the Convention shall appoint one clergyman and one layman to be tellers of the clerical vote, and one clergyman and one layman to be tellers of the lay vote, for each office that is to be filled, except that all the members of any committee, board or delegation shall be voted for upon one ticket, and only one set of tellers shall be appointed therefor. Vacancies, arising from temporary absence or otherwise, shall be supplied by the President.

2. When the election is to be held, the tellers for the clerical vote shall take their places together on one side of the house or place of meeting, and the tellers for the lay vote, together, upon the other side; and the Secretary shall supply them with the necessary boxes, and also with lists of the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, and of the parishes entitled to representation, on which lists, as each vote is deposited, they shall make a mark against the name of the clergyman or parish voting; and these lists, signed by the tellers, shall be returned with their reports to the Convention. The names of the clergy and of the parishes shall be called by the Secretaries, and the votes shall be received by the tellers.

3. So soon as voting shall appear to have ceased, the President shall announce that the polls are about to be closed, and not less than ten minutes

after such announcement, he may direct the tellers to count the votes, for which purpose they shall have leave to retire. The tellers shall then proceed to count the votes, and shall make written reports, stating the whole number of votes cast, and the number cast for each person, except that when less than five votes are cast for any one person, it shall suffice to include all such votes under the head of scattering. These reports shall be signed by the tellers respectively, and shall be entered upon the Journal, and the President shall announce the result.

4. In case of any contest arising as to the right of any person to cast a vote, the tellers shall submit the question to the Convention before the closing of the polls.

5. If in regard to any office there shall not be a majority of votes, either in the clerical or in the lay order, for any one person, or if there shall not be a concurrence of the two orders, the Convention shall, forthwith, proceed to another ballot, for such and so many offices as have not been filled at the first ballot; and such second and all other ballots shall be conducted in the same manner as above provided. In case there shall still remain any vacancy to be supplied after such second ballot, further ballots may be held at the order of the Convention.

6. Immediately before any ballot, it shall be in order for the nomination of any person to be made and seconded; but no speech or debate shall be allowed upon such nomination, or while the Convention is holding an election.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed the regular Committees :

ON THE ADMISSION OF PARISHES.

The Rev. C. C. Edmunds, and Messrs. R. H. Cushney and A. Van Voast.

ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Rev. J. W. Stewart, the Rev. F. Harison, S.T.D., the Rev. G. W. Dean, S.T.D., the Rev. J. Haughton, and Messrs. Orlando Meads, James Forsyth and James Gibson.

ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER.

Messrs. J. W. Fuller and P. V. Hagner.

ON THE DIOCESAN FUND AND MILEAGE OF THE CLERGY.

The Rev. Messrs. F. L. Norton and F. M. Cookson, and Messrs. S. E. Marvin and William Kemp.

ON DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The Rev. Messrs. R. A. Olin and W. N. Irish, and Mr. L. S. McDonald.

ON THE BISHOP'S SALARY AND THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

The Rev. W. Delafield, and Messrs. A. B. Banks and George St. John.

ON THE FUND FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

The Rev. Richard Temple, and Mr. Edward M. Holbrook.

**ON THE AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.**

The Rev. Walker Gwynne, and Mr. John Van Valkenburgh.

**ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.**

The Rev. Messrs. R. Weeks and W. B. Walker, and Messrs. J. W. Horton, H. Roseboom and W. A. Thompson.

**ON THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF RELIGION AND LEARNING.**

The Rev. Messrs. J. D. Morrison and G. L. Neide, and Mr. A. B. Cox.

**ON NON-REPORTING PARISHES.**

The Rev. George Fisher.

**ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**

The Rev. Messrs. E. T. Chapman and W. Thompson, and the Secretary.

**ON THE REGISTRAR'S REPORT.**

The Rev. D. L. Schwartz, and Mr. S. S. Matteson.

**ON THE ORPHAN HOUSE AT COOPERSTOWN.**

The Rev. W. H. Cook, and Mr. R. M. Townsend.

**ON THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP.**

The Rev. Messrs. J. Carey and W. W. Battershall, and Messrs. G. B. Warren, jr., J. S. Perry, J. J. Tillinghast, Erastus Corning, W. A. Wood and W. E. Thorn.

The following-named Reports were received and referred to the appropriate Committees :

The Report of the Treasurer.

The Report of the Board of Diocesan Missions.

The Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and the Treasurer of the same.

The Report of the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning.

The Report of the Secretary of the Convention.

The Report of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

The Report of the Registrar of the Diocese.

Reports from the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour.

The Secretary then read the Report of the Secretary of the last Convention :

CHRIST CHURCH RECTORY,  
ROUSES POINT, N. Y.,  
*December 31st, A.D. 1877.*

Your Secretary respectfully reports :

That he has fulfilled all the duties assigned him.

He has received no applications for parishes to be admitted into union with this Convention.

The following Committees are to report :

“ The Committee of Three to settle with the Diocese of New York as to the Episcopal Fund.”

“ On the Traveling Expenses of the Bishop.”

“ On the Status of Christ Church, Deposit.”

The following vacancies to be filled :

One Deputy to the General Convention ;

Two Deputies to the Federate Council.

The Secretary presents the following communications :

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING RELIGION AND LEARNING  
IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the above Society, held November 8, 1876, the following record was made on their book of minutes :

“ The Secretary laid before the Board a communication from the Diocese of Albany, in respect to an appropriation to the Bishop of said Diocese ; whereupon, in consideration of the relations of the Diocese with this Society, by which the funds collected for theological education within the Diocese are, according to Canon, sent to the Society for distribution, it was ”

*Ordered*, That an appropriation of \$300 be made to the Bishop of Albany, in aid of Candidates for Holy Orders.

Attest :

T. W. OGDEN, *Secretary*.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.

*To the Secretary of the Diocese of Albany :*

At a meeting of the Convention of the Diocese of Long Island, held on the sixteenth of May, 1877, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted :

“ *Resolved*, That the Legislature of the State be requested not to pass any bill amending the General Religious Incorporation Acts, so far as they specially affect the Protestant Episcopal Church, which has not previously received the approval of the Conventions of at least a majority of the five Dioceses in this State.

“ *Resolved*, That the Secretary of this body transmit a copy of the resolution just adopted, to the Secretaries of the several Dioceses in the State of New York.”

Attest :

T. STAFFORD DROWNE,  
*Secretary of the Diocese of Long Island.*

TROY, November 16, 1877.

REV. GEORGE C. PENNELL, D.D. ,

*Secretary of the Diocese of Albany :*

Rev. and Dear Sir—At a meeting of the Convocation of Troy, held at the Church of the Messiah, Glens Falls, on the 14th instant, the Rev. Frank L.

Norton was nominated as the clerical, and Walter A. Wood, Esq., as the lay member of the Board of Missions from this Convocation.

Yours truly,

THOS. A. TILLINGHAST,  
*Secretary of the Convocation of Troy.*

MORLEY, N. Y., November 21st, 1877.

To the Rev. GEORGE C. PENNELL, S.T.D.,

*Secretary of the Diocese of Albany :*

Rev. and Dear Brother—At a meeting of the Convocation of Ogdensburgh, held this day in Trinity Chapel, Morley, the following named persons were nominated to the Convention, to be elected as members of the Board of Missions from this Convocation, viz.: the Rev. J. D. Morrison, Rector of St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, and Mr. T. L. Harison, of Morley.

WM. R. WOODBRIDGE,  
*Secretary of Convocation of Ogdensburgh.*

COOPERSTOWN, November 26, 1877.

Rev. GEORGE C. PENNELL, S.T.D.:

Dear Sir—At a meeting of the Convocation of the Susquehanna, held at St. Peter's Church, Hobart, October 24th, 1877, Rev. Hobart Cooke and Dr. F. U. Johnston were nominated to the Convention of the Diocese as members of the Board of Missions from this Convocation.

Attest:

G. POMEROY KEESE, *Secretary.*

At a meeting of the Convocation of Albany, held in the city of Troy, January 15, A.D. 1878, the Rev. Samuel E. Smith and Mr. Henry R. Pierson were nominated to the Convention of the Diocese for election as members of the Board of Missions from the Convocation of Albany.

G. L. NEIDE, *Secretary.*

#### SUMMARY OF THE CLERGY RECORD

Last reported, Bishop, 1; Priests, 105; Deacons, 14. Total, 120.

Transferred to other Dioceses, 17; deceased, 1.

Received (by Ordination, 6; by Certificate, 9) 15.

Bishop, 1; Priests, 107; Deacons, 10; Total, 118.

*George C. Pennell*

On motion, the Resolutions of the Diocese of Long Island, presented in the late Secretary's Report, were referred to the Special Committee which have under consideration that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the same subject.

On motion, the communication from the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, presented in the late Secretary's Report, was referred to the Committee on said Society.

The Rev. Dr. Reese read the Report of the Standing Committee :

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Albany respectfully report to the Convention of the Diocese the following official acts :

At the first meeting of the Committee, held February 20th, 1877, the Rev. Dr. Payne was elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Reese, Secretary. There have been five meetings of the Committee. They have recommended to the Bishop, for ordination to the Priesthood :

Rev. Anson J. Brockway ;  
Rev. William Mason Cook ;  
Rev. Ernest Augustus Hartman ;  
Rev. James R. L. Nisbett ;  
Rev. Charles S. Olmsted ;  
Rev. Frederic O. Granniss ;  
Rev. William Henry Beardslee ;  
Rev. Frank Smith ;  
Rev. Richard C. Searing.

They have recommended to the Bishop, for ordination to the Diaconate :

William M. Picksley ;  
Scott B. Rathbun ;  
Robert Granger ;  
Richard C. Searing.

They have received as Candidates for Holy Orders :

L. S. Tilton ;  
Robert Howland Neide ;  
John Prout ;  
Charles C. Edmunds, jr.

The canonical assent of the Committee was given to the consecration of the Rev. George F. Seymour to the Bishopric of Springfield.

At a meeting of the Committee, held May 14th, the attention of the Committee was called to the attempts made by unauthorized persons in the Legislature of the State to change the General Act of 1868 for the Incorporation of Protestant Episcopal Churches in this State. The Secretary was instructed to correspond with the Bishops and Standing Committees of the Dioceses within the State of New York, urging united action to prevent such unauthorized legislation. The Committee passed, also, the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That in the judgment of the Standing Committee, the frequent applications made to the Legislature to change the Act for the Incorporation of Churches, so far as that Act applies to the Protestant Episcopal Church within this State, makes it desirable that no amendments to that Act be approved by the Legislature, unless they shall have been previously submitted



to the Conventions of the several Dioceses, and have received the sanction of the majority of these Conventions.

Resolutions similar in character have now been passed by the Conventions or Standing Committees of every Diocese within the State.

The attempt to pass such unauthorized amendments having been renewed this winter, the Secretary was empowered, by the Bishop and Standing Committee, to present a communication to the Committee of the Assembly upon Religious and Charitable Societies, and to lay before them the united action of the Church within the State. A copy of the letter, addressed to the Ecclesiastical authorities of the Church within the State, and also of the letter to the Committee of the Assembly, are hereby transmitted to the Convention with this Report, with the request they be entered upon the Journal of the Convention.

WM. PAYNE, *President.*

J. LIVINGSTON REESE, *Secretary.*

ALBANY, *January 7th, 1878.*

*Hon. — — — :*

Dear Sir—I am instructed by the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, to transmit to you the enclosed copies of papers showing the official action taken by the several Dioceses of said Church in this State, in regard to the applications, from time to time made to the Legislature, by private and unrepresentative persons, for alterations of the General Act of 1868 for the Incorporation of Protestant Episcopal Churches in this State. The revised and amended Act in question was prepared with great care, and, after the fullest consideration by the authorities of the whole Church in this State, was presented to the Legislature, and was passed by them without any change. Nearly all the Episcopal Churches in this State are governed by the provisions of this, or of the original act, the two being substantially alike in their essential provisions; and it is therefore respectfully claimed, on the part of the Church, that no alterations ought to be made or entertained, at the instance of any private or unauthorized applicant, without the previous sanction of the representative authorities of the several Dioceses to be affected by such alteration.

You will observe by the accompanying papers, that the ecclesiastical authorities of all the five Dioceses composing the Church in this State, concur in their opposition to any such interference with the said Act, and I would therefore respectfully ask you to take such mode, as to you may seem most advisable and effectual, of bringing their objections to the attention of the proper Committee of the Assembly.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. LIVINGSTON REESE,

*Secretary of the Standing Committee, Diocese of Albany.*

**WHEREAS**, The original General Act for the Incorporation of Churches in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State, and also the amendments to said Act in 1868, were prepared under the authority of the said Church, and with the fullest consideration by its Bishops and Conventions; and whereas, nearly all of the said Churches in this State have been organized and are now acting under the said law, and will be affected by any changes therein; and the fact having been brought to the attention of this Standing Committee, that of late years, and especially during the present session of the Legislature, there has been an increasing frequency of applications from private and irresponsible sources for amendments to the said Act, which proposed amendments are generally ill-advised and designed to effect some personal or local object, and are often utterly subversive of the settled principles and usages of the Church; therefore

*Resolved*, That in the judgment of this Committee, it is very desirable that some action should be taken by the several Dioceses of the Church in this State, for the protection of the Churches, organized under the said Act, from such unadvised changes of their organic law; and to that end, we would submit to the authorities of the said Dioceses, the propriety of their memorializing the next Legislature on the subject; and respectfully but earnestly requesting, as a matter of justice to the great interests involved, that hereafter no proposed amendments to the said Act shall be entertained unless the same shall have been previously submitted to the consideration of the Conventions, or the Ecclesiastical authorities of each of the said Dioceses, and shall have received the formal written sanction and approval of at least a majority of all such Dioceses.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be requested to transmit a copy of these resolutions to the Bishop of each of the said Dioceses, with the respectful request that the same may be submitted to the next Convention of such Diocese for its consideration.

J. LIVINGSTON REESE, *Secretary*.

ALBANY, May 14, 1877.

The Rev. Archdeacon Pecke read the Report of the Special Committee on the *status* of Christ Church, Deposit:

The Committee, appointed at the last Convention, and continued with instructions to report at this Convention, upon that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to "the actual and the possible position of" Christ Church, Deposit, "geographically and ecclesiastically," respectfully report:

That said Parish, geographically considered, forms a part of the territory included in the Diocese of Albany, and a part of that included in the Diocese of Central New York. The Church building is in Delaware county; yet the majority of the parishioners reside in Broome county. When the Parish was incorporated, it was recorded in Delaware county and also in Broome county. Your Committee, therefore, are of the opinion, that, when the two Dioceses were organized, it would have been possible for either one of them to include the said Parish in its list of Parishes; but, inasmuch as said Parish was actually included in the official list of the Parishes of the Diocese of Albany, in

the Primary Convention of this Diocese, and has been ever since included in all similar lists, that now it cannot be transferred to the Diocese of Central New York except by act of the General Convention ; for the reason that, practically and in effect, such transfer would change the boundary line between the two Dioceses.

Your Committee respectfully submit the following resolution, viz. :

*Resolved*, That the Committee be discharged.

(Signed)

E. M. PECKE,  
R. M. TOWNSEND.

TROY, N. Y., *January 15th*, A.D. 1878.

On motion, the Report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

The Rev. W. Gwynne read the Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of the "Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany and its Vicinity" :

The Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany and its Vicinity, respectfully reports :

That during the year ending December 31st, 1877, it has made grants to the Parishes, of 2,830 volumes, namely: 2 Bibles for Lecterns ; 2 8vo Bibles ; 243 16mo Bibles ; 6 German Bibles ; 6 French Bibles ; 37 New Testaments in English, and 5 in Greek ; 3 Prayer Books for Chancel ; 26 Prayer Books, 12mo ; 1,758 24mo ; 34 48mo, and 708 Hymnals.

The Society is sorry to have been obliged in several cases to grant a smaller number of books than was asked for, the treasury not being equal to the demands made upon it. It is hoped that in the coming year every Parish, as required by Canon, will have an offertory for this object, and thus enable the Society to perform to the full its useful and much-needed work. By a resolution of the Board of Directors, the Secretary has been instructed not to make grants of books to Parishes which omit to make the annual offering. The attention of the Convention and of the Diocese is called to the fact that, by an amendment to the Constitution of the Society, all legacies are hereafter expressly directed to be added to the Permanent Fund (as has hitherto been the practice), instead of being used for the current expenses of the Society.

The above statement of grants includes copies of the Greek Testament and of the Holy Bible, to be presented by the Bishop to every person ordained by him during the year ; an act of the Society which has been most gratefully acknowledged by the Bishop.

The Treasurer's condensed statement of his account is hereto appended.

On behalf and by order of The Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany and its Vicinity.

WALKER GWYNNE,  
*Corresponding Secretary.*

SUMMARY OF THE REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BIBLE AND COMMON  
PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY OF ALBANY AND ITS VICINITY.

*Receipts.*

To cash on hand at last report.....	\$641 00
Interest on Permanent Fund.....	750 00
Offerings from thirty-two Parishes.....	294 75
Received for books sold .....	13 25
Interest on Lintern legacy .....	2 19
	\$1,701 19

*Expenditures.*

By paid into Permanent Fund, as directed.....	\$300 00
Lintern legacy to Rev. F. Harison, Secretary* .....	250 00
Interest on Lintern legacy .....	2 19
For books .....	1,096 98
	\$1,649 17
Cash on hand and carried to new account.....	52 02
	\$1,701 19

Amount of Permanent Fund, \$10,700.

The Rev. Dr. Harison presented the following resolutions; which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Diocesan Missions:

*Resolved*, That "The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Albany" be and hereby is appointed by this Convention, to receive from the Treasurer of the Parochial Fund of the Diocese of New York, the sum of one thousand dollars, authorized by a Resolution of the Convention of that Diocese, passed September 30th, 1869, to be transferred to this Diocese, together with any interest that may have accrued thereon, and to hold the same in trust for the objects had in view in the foundation and establishment of the Parochial Fund of the Diocese of New York.

*Resolved*, That the Board of Missions be and hereby is instructed to keep the money or securities received by them under the preceding resolution, securely invested, separately from all other funds, as the Parochial Fund of this Diocese, and to add to the capital of such Fund all contributions that may hereafter be made thereto, unless otherwise directed by the donors, and to apply the interest or income thereof only to the objects of such Fund, as the same are stated in the Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, passed April 15th, 1860, and entitled "An Act for the Incorporation of the Trustees of the Parochial Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York."

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Coan, it was

*Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the proposed Council at Lambeth, during the ensuing Summer, be referred to a Special Committee.

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\* The "Lintern Fund" is appropriated to the maintenance of a Depository at Troy, where Bibles of various sizes and styles are kept on sale and to supply the needs of the Society for distribution.

The Bishop appointed as such Committee, the Rev. Messrs. E. Coan, J. D. Morrison and F. L. Norton; and Messrs. T. A. Tillinghast, J. W. Fuller, O. Meads and W. A. Wood.

On motion of the Rev. J. W. Stewart, by a unanimous vote, it was

*Resolved*, That the following amendments of the Constitution, approved at the last Convention, be and are hereby approved and adopted by this Convention :

1. Substitute the following new Article for the present Article IV :

#### ARTICLE IV.

##### OF THE CATHEDRAL.

“The Cathedral of All Saints in the City and Diocese of Albany” shall be the Cathedral Church of this Diocese. Three lay communicants shall be chosen by the Chapter as the delegation from the Cathedral to the Convention.

2. In Article I, insert after “Thirdly,” the words “of the lay delegation from the Cathedral and”; and the word “other” before “Church.”

3. Append Article IV (omitting the title and the words “Morning Prayer”) in Article II.

So that the first four Articles of the Constitution will read as follows :

#### ARTICLE I.

##### OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION.

The Diocese of Albany entrusts its legislation to a Convention, to consist as follows: First, of the Bishop, when there is one; of the Assistant Bishop, when there is one; Secondly, of all clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese for six months previous to the Convention, the restriction of time not to apply to rectors duly elected or missionaries duly appointed (provided that no clergyman suspended from the ministry shall have a seat); and, Thirdly, of the lay delegation from the Cathedral, and of lay delegations, consisting of not more than three deputies from each other church in union with the Convention, who shall be communicants, and shall have been chosen by the vestry or congregation of the same.

#### ARTICLE II.

##### OF THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

The Convention shall assemble on the Tuesday after the first Sunday after the Feast of the Epiphany, each year, in such place as the Bishop shall appoint giving fifteen days' notice thereof. In case of his inability to act, the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, shall appoint the place; and, if there be no Bishop the Standing Committee shall appoint. The place of meeting may be changed for sufficient reason after having been appointed, provided that ten days' notice of such change shall be given.

Every Convention shall be opened with a Sermon, and the Holy Com.

munion; and the preacher shall be appointed by the Bishop, or in case of his inability to act, or if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee.

### ARTICLE III.

#### OF SPECIAL CONVENTIONS.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions, giving thirty days' notice thereof; and shall do so when requested by a vote of three-fourths of the Standing Committee. When there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, giving ninety days' notice thereof.

### ARTICLE IV.

#### OF THE CATHEDRAL.

"The Cathedral of All Saints in the City and Diocese of Albany" shall be the Cathedral Church of this Diocese. Three lay communicants shall be chosen by the Chapter as the delegation from the Cathedral to the Convention.

The Bishop announced his concurrence, and declared the changes in the Constitution ratified by the Convention of the Diocese.

On motion of the Secretary, the 10th Rule of Order was suspended, to permit the introduction of business prescribed for the second day of the session.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Convention, and the Report of the Committee on the same, were read by the Secretary:

DIOCESE OF ALBANY,  
TREASURER'S OFFICE,  
ALBANY, *December 31st*, A.D. 1877.

Herewith please find Statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Diocesan Fund for the year ending this day:

Amount on hand, as reported to the last Convention.....	\$49 51
Receipts for the year .....	1,680 15
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Total .....	\$1,729 66
Disbursements.....	1,345 21
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Balance on hand.....	\$384 45

There is due to Messrs. Charles Van Benthuyzen & Sons, the sum of \$850.

It will be necessary for the Convention to provide at this meeting for the following objects:

Mileage to Clergymen in attendance upon the present Convention;

For the printing of the Journal of the Convention;

For the current expenses of the Diocese.

I make the following estimate of the amounts that will be required for these purposes:

*Travelling Expenses of the Bishop.*

For mileage.....	\$350 00
Printing Journal.....	450 00
Current expenses.....	200 00
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	\$1,000 00

To meet the above, and the debt to Messrs. Charles Van Benthuyssen & Sons, I recommend that an assessment of two (2) per centum on the salary pledged the Clergyman by the Parish or Mission Station be made by this Convention.

Very respectfully,

*Edm. E. Marvin.*

*Treasurer.*

The Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer, beg leave to report, that they have carefully compared the various items of the account with the vouchers, and find them correct.

J. V. HAGNER,  
J. W. FULLER.

TROY, *January 15th*, 1878.

The Committee on the Travelling Expenses of the Bishop presented their Report:

The Committee on the Travelling Expenses of the Bishop report, that they deem the annual allowance of three hundred dollars for travelling expenses reasonable and just; that, because this is in the nature of increase of salary, without any provision for its payment, they recommend that the same be paid by the Treasurer of the Diocesan Fund; and they therefore report the following Resolution for adoption:

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Diocesan Fund be, and he is hereby, directed to pay the Bishop the sum of three hundred dollars per annum for travelling expenses.

E. B. RUSSELL,  
H. R. PIERSON,  
W. W. BATTERSHALL.

On motion of the Rev. J. D. Morrison, it was

*Resolved*, That the Resolution be amended so as to provide for the payment of the three hundred dollars voted last year for the Bishop's travelling expenses.

The Resolution so amended was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. C. C. Edmunds, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on the Diocesan Fund be instructed to assess **Parishes** of the Diocese three per cent. on the salaries of the Rectors, in



order to make provision, among other things, for paying the expenses of the Bishop in visiting Parishes, as voted by the Convention, both for the coming year, and for those sums now due the Bishop on such account.

The Treasurer of the Convention announced that the Bishop refused to receive the amount voted for travelling expenses for the past year.

On motion, the Convention took a recess until half-past seven o'clock in the evening.

*Half-past seven o'clock in the Evening.*

The Convention re-assembled.

A Special Missionary Service, set forth by the Bishop, was said, the Rev. W. Delafield, the Rev. J. S. Kent, and the Rev. A. T. Twing, D.D., of the Diocese of New York, officiating.

After the Service, the Rt. Rev. President took the chair, and called the Convention to order.

The Report of the Board of Missions was presented and read by the Rev. Archdeacon Pecke, Secretary of the Board :

The Board of Missions respectfully reports, that it has held five meetings during the past year.

At its first session it was constrained, by the stern necessity of the case, to undertake the painful task of abandoning several Stations, consolidating others, cutting down the stipend of more than one hard-working Missionary, thus throwing an increase of work on those whose hands were already full. The Convention had decided that the appropriation for Missions ought not to exceed \$10,000, and that it would not be wise for the Board of Missions to reckon on so large an amount until the increased offerings should begin to justify them in doing so. Governed by these suggestions, the Board determined to expend, for the first half of the year, at the rate of \$9,900 per annum, with the further intention, if compelled by smaller offerings even than those of last year, to make good any deficiency by giving up more Stations for the latter half of the year. On meeting in April, the condition of the treasury was such as to make it necessary to cut down the stipends still further, the results of this reduction being the diminution of the liabilities of the Board, for the remainder of the current year, of \$1,000. It seems our imperative duty to make fresh efforts toward bringing our debt to the basis of our ability. It is not right, nor is it creditable, to be behindhand all the time. We must cut down until we find the measurement of the ability of the Diocese.

At a special meeting held early in the year, the President and Treasurer were authorized and directed, in compliance with the instructions of the Convention, to take the requisite steps to transfer the trust and title of the Bishop's house to the Corporation of the Cathedral of All Saints, Albany. But of the debt on the Bishop's house for taxes, insurance and repairs, assumed by the Board, \$1,500 still remained. The Treasurer of the Board, as directed by

the last Convention, sent out to those Parishes and Stations that had not paid wholly, or only in part, the respective amounts assessed upon them, a circular furnishing them with a list of these assessments as originally made, requesting an immediate payment of the same. Some have complied with the request, others have made no response whatever. Meanwhile, it should be remembered that we are trespassing on the generosity of those who have been carrying the burden of this indebtedness for two years. If the lay members are responsible for it, it would not be just to throw the load upon them for payment. The delinquent Parishes and Missions should at once meet the assessment made on them, and thus relieve the Board of an unnecessary incumbrance.

As the last Convention recommended the re-issue of a quarterly paper, either of "Our Mission Work," or of a circular exhibiting the condition of the treasury, the Board determined to resume the publication of a small Missionary Journal, to be issued quarterly under the supervision of a Presbyter of the Diocese, admirably fitted for the duty. Rectors and Missionaries were requested to secure at once yearly subscriptions. Though but few of the latter were actually obtained, about one hundred in all, yet "Our Mission Work" seems to have met with a warmer welcome, and to have been the means of doing more good, than ever before.

The Rev. Frank L. Norton, of Troy, was elected a member of the Board to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the Rev. Joseph Carey, the latter having been appointed Archdeacon of the Convocation of Troy.

The Board entered upon its records a formal minute respecting the decease of the Rev. John V. Hughes, for forty-five years a faithful Missionary in Otsego and Herkimer counties, a part of the present Diocese of Albany. After patient and constant labor for nearly half a century, in a hard and not promising field, respected, beloved, and full of years, he has gone to give an account of his stewardship to the Master.

At this meeting the Treasurer was instructed to furnish each Rector and Missionary with a suggestion of the smallest amount which the Board thought that it ought to receive from the Parish or Station, in order to secure the sum of \$10,000, appropriated for Missionary work for the current year. The aggregate assessment was \$10,155, and the sum of the actual contributions from all the Parishes and Stations thus assessed, is \$10,973. The plan was purely tentative. There was need that more should be done for the Missions of the Diocese than had been done, and it was hoped that a suggestion of this sort, made under authority of the Board, would carry weight with it wherever sent. This hope has been fully realized. The responses to the circular issued by the Treasurer, although not prompt, have been fully generous and evenly distributed in the main. It has justified the discrimination of the Board, and it furnished a standard and aim for the Parishes. It is a satisfaction to record the fact, that fifty-three Parishes have exceeded the amount, seventeen have given it, twenty-four, unasked, have given, and only thirty-seven have come short. The Board are justified in feeling that it is best to renew the assess-

ment for another year, on the same or some other basis; and not merely to commit our great want and necessity once more, with the bare statement of what it is, to the Parishes and Stations in the Diocese, leaving it with them to develop, each its own method of liberality. We must reduce at once our Missionary debt. Must we, in order to this, reduce our Missionary appropriations? To do the one is simple honesty; to do the other would be a dishonor to the Diocese, and a deep wrong to those faithful laborers who need all we have given them, and more, to support themselves and their families.

But the prospect and the outlook are brighter really than they have been. The receipts have been large; in some Parishes and Missions, larger than they have ever been before. The fact that 3,690 envelopes and 60 pledges have been sent out by the Secretary in response to requests, shows a growing desire on the part of our Church people to systematize their offerings; and that, in almost every case, means to increase them. The interest is evidently growing and spreading: growing, in that more money is given; spreading, in that the givers are more: large Parishes and small, increasing their gifts. But aside from all this, there are features in the Missionary work of this Diocese that must encourage all whose attention is called to them. First, it is to be noted that the Rectors of our Parishes are more alive than ever to the importance of looking after the outlying districts in their immediate vicinity. The Rector by himself, unassisted, may do much beside sustaining the regular services of the Parish Church. If there be in him a willing mind, opportunities will present themselves for planting the Church outside of what, strictly speaking, is his field; but, on the principle that the field is the world, he should be glad to improve as many of them as he can. And, if he should be so fortunate as to have associated with himself one or more congenial fellow-laborers, then, by grouping together around the Parish a number of the neighboring Stations, this will supply a want which otherwise might have to go unsupplied. This is but a practical recognition of the principle which the Board has warmly advocated for the last two years, and which has had much to do with the arrangements of our Missionary work during that period. The principle is that of the Associate Mission. A few Stations, too feeble to contribute much, if anything, to their own support, are attached to the neighboring Parish which becomes the headquarters of the Mission where the Clergy reside. The advantages of this plan, if properly carried out, are manifold and obvious. Conspicuous among these are three: First, it is, of course, a great encouragement to these feeble Stations, struggling for a mere name to live, to find that the strong are not only able, but willing, to help the weak. It is a shining illustration of what Christian charity can and ought to do. But the effect on the Parish, also, is not to be overlooked. Parishes, like individuals, easily get to be selfish. They move along in the old ruts, content to do, over and over again, all the work that has been done, and to leave undone all that has been left undone for years past. There is nothing more sure to enlarge and strengthen a Parish than this very willingness to stretch itself beyond the old traditional limits, infusing its life into the hearts of all whom it can reach,

whether far or near. Lastly, the effect on the Clergy themselves, as many of us can testify, is most beneficial. Union is strength. The Clergyman may and often does a great deal single-handed ; but we all know, and none knows more clearly than himself, that he might do even more, if he had one or two fellow-laborers to co-operate with him in his efforts to "Go up and possess the good land." The Board would therefore recommend more earnestly the same plan which has been pursued so successfully on all sides.

We have many and striking proofs that the Missionary work of the Diocese has grown and extended itself during the past year. Massena provides regular services at Helena and on Long Sault Island. Here the Priest, single-handed, ministers to a vast section. Warrensburgh, not content with carrying the Gospel to Chester, spreads it on to Pottersville, Milbrook and Schroon ; and the Priest in charge has hopes of reaching other points than these also. The new Chapel at Esperance is but another token of what an old Parish Church, like that planted in Duaneburgh, can do, when stirred up to a sense of its responsibility, by the blessing of God and the zeal and industry of faithful Priests. Port Henry has become the centre of a great and growing work, which already extends to Mineville (where a flourishing Mission has been established), Keene and Lewis, and is sure, in time, to take in other points which, but for this young and vigorous Parish, would be wholly without services. Something similar has taken place at Keeseville, whose Rector, after long, patient and self-denying toil, has gathered at Ausable Forks, twelve miles distant, a flock now organized into a Mission, which worships in a beautiful stone church, complete and consecrated last September. The appointment of a Missionary to this Mission has made it possible to give pastoral care and occasional Services to the little congregation which occupies the log church at St. Regis Lake, erected by the contributions of Summer visitors, and consecrated by the Bishop in the Autumn. The Board, in accepting the Report of Dr. Trudeau, of the building of the Church of S. John in the Wilderness at St. Regis Lake, feel obliged to make known the story to the Diocese, and commend the energy, wisdom, carefulness and economy of Dr. Trudeau in the good work of which he reports. The church has been built at an expense of \$2,677.08, and a beautiful and complete church it is ; and, at its completion, the bills for its erection are all paid, and a balance of \$235.88 is left in bank ; and the title to the property, the account of all expenses and vouchers accompanying the same, and the bank account of balance, are all sent to the Board of Missions.

In recognition of these facts, the Board reports the following Resolutions, viz. :

*Resolved*, That the Board commends the energy, wisdom, carefulness and economy of Dr. Trudeau.

*Resolved*, That the Board commends his action in giving so full and accurate an account of the erection of the church to the Board of Missions, and having the title to the property in the name of the Board.

Mr. Delafield's marked and unaided energy has completed a Chapel and

gathered a congregation at East Line, to which he ministers, and to other adjacent points also. And Mr. Oberly has successfully carried on work in two points in West Troy.

These are few among many instances. But these are sufficient to show us that with such evident tokens of God's blessing on our Missionary operations, we have no right "to be weary and faint in our works." The willingness of Missionaries to enlarge their own work, and of Parishes to reach out a helping hand to neighboring districts; the marked result of this persistent and united energy, as shown in the universally large classes presented for confirmation, not only in the stronger Churches, but also in the feebler Missions—all this (and we might, if space allowed, add more than this) goes to prove that, whatever financial embarrassments there may have been in the past year, or however great the debt may be at this moment, we have reason to thank God and take courage for that the work, which of all works should be dearest to us, has been the most manifestly blessed of Him in Whose Name and for Whose glory it is done.

The List of Mission Stations, of the Missionaries, and of the stipends appropriated, is appended to this Report.

The Board recommends the passage of the following Resolutions, viz. :

*Resolved*, That, as the Missionary work in our own Diocese ought to be specially dear to us all, we have reason to be cheered by the marked advance which it has made during the past year, and by the increase of devotion and liberality on the part of those whose great duty it is to carry this work forward.

*Resolved*, That we recognize as fully as ever, the importance of being systematic in our offerings, not leaving them to the impulse of the occasion, but regulating them according to well-grounded Christian principle; and that, without insisting on any one plan to the exclusion of others which may have been put into successful operation, we renew our commendation of the system of frequent offerings of fixed amounts in the envelopes furnished by the Board.

*Resolved*, That, while regarding with great satisfaction the evident tokens of progress made in our Missionary work, we must not forget that there is still a large balance of indebtedness to the Treasurer, and that it is our duty, as well, to consider this in making our appropriations for the present year, as to see that these are strictly proportional to our responsibility as a Diocese, and our ability to meet it.

*Resolved*, That the Board of Missions be requested again this year, and at once, to indicate to the Clergy of the various Parishes and Missions, the proportionate amount of the whole sum appropriated to Diocesan Missions, which they are asked and expected to give.

## STATIONS, MISSIONARIES AND STIPENDS, A.D. 1877—(Last Quarter).

## Convocation of Albany.

COUNTY.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Sti- pend.
Albany .....	Trinity .....	Rensselaerville.....	Rev. R. Washbon .....	\$150
		Berne .....		
		Westerlo. ....		
Greene .....	Calvary .....	Cairo.....	Rev. R. Harding.....	200
	Grace.....	Prattsville.....	Rev. H. C. Hutchings.....	100
	Trinity .....	Windham (in Ash- land).....		
	Trinity .....	Athens.....	Rev. J. W. Stewart .....	125
	Christ .....	Coxsackie .....	Rev. Erastus Webster. ....	375
	Christ .....	Greeneville .....		
	S. Paul's.....	Oak Hill.....		
Montgomery, ..	Zion .....	Fonda.....	Rev. C. H. Vandyne .....	350
	Good Shepherd ..	Canajoharie.....		
	Holy Cross .....	Fort Plain.....		
Fulton .....	Trinity.....	Gloversville.....	Rev. C. C. Edmunds.....	
Herkimer....	Trinity .....	Fairfield .....	Rev. E. N. Goddard .....	300
	Grace.....	Norway.....		
	Memorial.....	Middleville.....		
	S. Augustine...	Ilion. ....	Rev. C. F. A. Blsby .....	\$1,700

## Convocation of Troy.

Columbia ....	S. Luke's.....	Clermont .....	Rev. M. E. Wilson.....	\$150
	S. John's.....	Copake. ....	Rev. R. E. Terry, from Oct. 28	50
	Trinity .....	Claverack .....	Rev. Joseph Hooper.....	125
	Our Saviour....	New Lebanon .....		
		Chatham Centre....		
Rensselaer ...	Trinity .....	Schaghticoke (Hart's Falls) .....	Rev. R. G. Hamilton.....	200
		Old Schaghticoke ...		
Saratoga .....	S. Stephen's...	Schuylerville .....	Rev. G. W. Dean, S.T.D. ...	75
	S. Luke's.....	Mechanicville.....	Rev. A. H. Stubbs.....	100
Washington ..	S. Paul's.....	Greenwich †.....	Rev. G. W. Dean, S.T.D. ...	200
	S. Luke's.....	Cambridge .....	Rev. J. S. Kent.....	200
	Trinity .....	Granville .....		250
	S. Paul's .....	Salem .....	Rev. J. H. Houghton .....	
Saratoga.....	S. John's.....	Conklingville .....	Rev. A. J. Brockway .....	150
Warren .....	S. Mary's.....	Luzerne .....		
Fulton.....	Redeemer* ...	Northampton .....		
Warren .....	Holy Cross.....	Warrensburgh.....	Rev. W. M. Ogden.....	75
	Warren Co. Associate Mission....	Caldwell.....	Rev. C. H. Lancaster .....	100
				\$1,975

## Convocation of the Susquehanna.

Delaware.....	Christ .....	Walton .....	Rev. R. C. Searing .....	\$125
	Christ .....	Deposit .....		
Otsego .....	S. James'.....	Oneonta .....	Rev. J. B. Colbourn .....	250
	S. Timothy's...	Westford .....	Rev. T. A. Snyder.....	
	S. John's.....	Portlandville.....	Rev. J. H. Smith.....	
	Immanuel .....	Otego.....	Rev. W. C. Grubbe.....	150
	S. John's.....	Richfield Springs.....	Rev. E. M. Pecke .....	200
	S. Paul's .....	East Springfield .....	Rev. E. F. Baker.....	200
	Christ .....	West Burlington .....	{ Rev. H. Cooks.....	100
		Edmeston .....		
	Christ .....	Butternuts.....		
Schoharie ....	S. Luke's.....	Middleburgh.....		\$1,025

\* Convocation of Albany.

† Services discontinued by the Bishop.

STATIONS, MISSIONARIES, ETC.—(Continued.)

Convocation of Ogdensburgh.

COUNTY.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Sti- pend.
St. Lawrence.	S. Paul's.....	Waddington.....	Rev. T. G. Clemson.....	\$250
	Christ .....	Morristown.....	Rev. W. H. Phillips .....	100
	Trinity .....	Gouverneur.....	Rev. H. C. Miller.....	125
	S. Luke's.....	Lisbon.....		
	Grace .....	Norfolk.....		
	S. Mary's.....	Colton .....		
(Associate Mission.)	S. Andrew's....	Norwood.....	Rev. H. R. Howard.....	350
		Hanawa Falls.....	Rev. J. R. L. Nisbett.....	
		West Stockholm....		
		Parishville.....		
		West Potsdam .....		
	Trinity .....	Morley .....	Rev. C. S. Olmsted .....	275
		Cranberry Lake.....	Rev. W. A. Rich .....	
	S. Peter's.....	Brush's Mills....	Rev. W. M. Cook.....	150
		West Bangor.....		
St. Lawrence.	S. John's .....	Massena.....		
Franklin .....	S. James' .....	Hogansburgh .....	Rev. J. N. T. Goss .....	475
St. Lawrence.	All Saints.....	Barnhardt's Island..		50
		Hopkinton.....		
		Nicholville .....		
Clinton .....	S. Thomas' ....	Lawrenceville.....	Rev. W. M. Cook.....	
	Christ.....	Rouse's Point.....		
	S. John's.....	Champlain.....		
(Associate Mission.)	S. Paul's.....	Centreville .....	Rev. G. C. Pennell, S.T.D..	500
	S. Peter's.....	Ellenburgh.....		
	S. Luke's.....	Chazy.....		
	S. John's.....	Chateaugay .....	(Special to Archdeacon) .....	50
	S. John's.....	Salmon River.....		
		Rand Hill .....		
Essex .....	S. John's.....	Essex .....		
		Lewis .....		300
		Elizabethtown.....		
	S. Paul's .....	Keeseville .....	Rev. W. H. Cook.....	150
	S. James' .....	Ausable Forks .....		
	S. John in the Wilderness...	St. Regis Lake .....	Rev. C. S. Knapp.....	200
	Christ .....	Port Henry .....		
		Mineville.....	Rev. W. R. Woodbridge. ....	250
	Of the Cross ...	Ticonderoga .....		
		Crown Point .....		
				\$3,225

Of the nineteen counties included in this Diocese, there are Stations in 17.

Number of Stations in all, 99.

Vacant at present, 12.

Stations now served by Missionaries of the Board, 87.

Number of Missionaries now at work, 40.

Number of Churches under their care, 67.

Total amount of Stipends appropriated, \$7,925.

The Committee appointed to audit the account of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, at a meeting of the Board, January 14, 1878, report the same to be correct.

F. M. COOKSON,  
HOBART COOKE.



The Report of the Committee on Diocesan Missions was presented and read by the Rev. R. A. Olin:

The Committee on the Report of the Board of Missions of the Diocese beg leave to report:

1. That the wisdom of the trial plan of assessments mentioned in the said Report as having been adopted by the Board during the past year, has, in their judgment, been shown in the cheering responses it has called forth from the majority of our Parishes and Missionary Stations, thus rendering possible the encouraging financial exhibit of the Board. Your Committee deem it expedient that the same plan of assessments should be pursued by the Board in the future.

2. That, considering the present pecuniary reliability of the Diocese for the support of its Missions as indicated in its offerings during the past year, and also, in view of the still existing financial depression and uncertainty, it would not, in their judgment, be advisable for this Convention to fix upon a larger sum in its appropriation for the remaining deficiencies of the past and for the current expenses of the year to come, than that voted last year, viz: \$12,500, the appropriation out of this sum for Missions not to exceed \$10,000.

3. That it is thought by them expedient to continue the quarterly publication of the "Mission Work," as during the year past.

4. That your Committee strongly recommend the adoption by the Convention of the Report of the Board of Missions, with the resolutions appended, and also the adoption of the resolutions referred to your Committee relative to the reception by the Board of Missions in this Diocese of the sum of one thousand dollars from the Treasurer of the Parochial Fund of the Diocese of New York.

Respectfully submitted.

RUSSELL A. OLIN,  
WM. N. IRISH,  
L. G. McDONALD.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions was presented, and read by Mr. Selden E. Marvin, Treasurer:

DIocese of ALBANY,  
ALBANY, December 31st, A.D. 1877.

*To the Board of Missions:*

Herewith find a statement of the receipts and disbursements for the year just ended:

The receipts from all sources have been.....	\$11,326 34
" disbursements .....	\$12,356 48
Balance due Treasurer, January 1, 1877.....	709 00
	<hr/> 13,065 48
Leaving balance due Treasurer, January 1, 1878.....	\$1,739 14

At the last Convention I reported a deficiency of \$709, with the stipends paid to October 1st. Adding to the above the stipends due January 1st, and

paid subsequent to that date, amounting to \$2,708.35, the deficiency would have been \$3,417.35. So that with an increase of \$680.55 in the receipts, and through the action of the Board in closing up Stations and cutting down stipends, we are better off at this time by \$1,678.21 than we were one year ago, the stipends for this year having been paid in full. I feel greatly encouraged for our future in the amount of our receipts for the past year, and think the Convention will have good cause to look hopefully for a better condition of our finances at the end of another year.

With a full knowledge of our responsibilities, with the amount of our debt before us, with the measure of our obligations to maintain the Church in the Diocese (and this I hold to be our primary duty in the application of the contributions we make for the cause of Missions), let us exert all our energies and abilities to free ourselves from the existing debt as soon as is practicable, so as to be able to employ all our means directly to the support of the work we now have in operation, adding as much thereto as our increased offerings will admit; always recognizing the importance of the claims of the other departments of our Missionary Work, and our duty to furnish our quota for their sustentation. We know how much is needed for the support of Foreign and Domestic Missions through the frequent appeals made, and recognize them as binding upon us. Whilst their necessities are pressing, are not our own as great, even greater, for the work we have to do is under our own eyes, and at our own doors, and pleads for our generous support with all the energy and earnestness its importance demands.

I do not desire to urge upon any Parish taking upon itself a greater load than it can carry, but I do want to ask of the Convention, the Parishes and Mission Stations that constitute the Convention, to appreciate the importance of so distributing the work, as that the ability of each may be rightfully tested, and that through the practical results of this ability we may be able to wipe out what we now owe, and commence to build anew for our increase.

It will be noticed from the receipts, that the amounts received from some of the Parishes are larger than ever before. I am led to the belief that to a large extent this has been produced by practically following the suggestions as made, and strenuously urged by the Bishop and myself at the last Convention, and which upon other occasions have been pressed upon your consideration, recommending the introduction of a system to secure a thoroughly systematic plan of contributions. The evidence will be apparent upon an examination of the report, and instituting a comparison with those of previous years, that a very large increase is made within Parishes where this plan has been adopted, and I have no doubt of its producing such like beneficial results in every Parish if properly administered, as would furnish us with a fund sufficient to meet promptly all our existing engagements, and those which under the order of the Convention this Board may be authorized to contract. I must be pardoned for a continued iteration and reiteration of this principle. I believe in it, and I further believe the fruits gathered from its introduction in some of the Parishes, both strong and weak, are an indisputable attestation of its

merits. Other plans may look reasonably well, or at least those in charge may think so, and I do not want to come in conflict with any other established plan regarded as being the most effective in a Parish. At the same time I am not willing to admit that in any Parish in this Diocese can a better plan be adopted than that of gathering in the offerings of the people once each month through the envelope or box system. Its introduction once secured, the pledgers rarely ever fail to present their offerings with regularity on the Sundays designated for their reception; and these sent to the Treasurer every month, or every quarter, with this plan in operation in every Parish and Mission Station, would furnish the sum requisite to make prompt payment of the stipends on each quarter day. These Missionaries we employ are hired by every Parish and Mission Station in this Diocese, not by the Board of Missions. The Convention is the Diocese, the Board of Missions is elected by the Convention, and is the Executive Committee of the Diocese, for specified purposes, clothed with such power and authority as the Convention confers upon it; so that the responsibility of their service and the payment for same falls upon the Diocese. It is the relation of principal and agent, and the principal, the Diocese, is responsible for the acts of its agent, the Board of Missions. The Convention appropriates from year to year a sum of money for the Board to distribute, and this sum, whatever it may be, is a debt contracted by the Diocese, and for the payment of which every churchman is morally responsible. The Board is obliged to exercise discretion in its engagements, and govern its action in accordance with the amounts received into its treasury from quarter to quarter.

It was a hard task for the Board to say to some of its Missionaries, after having located them for a year, with a stated yearly stipend on which they tried to eke out a scanty subsistence, your stipends are to be reduced, or the Board is compelled to disband the station and withdraw in toto its promised support, and this because our receipts will not admit of our keeping up our present expenditures. This is just what the Board has had to do the past year, and in doing all that could be done in this way there is still a deficiency in our funds. And yet we have good hope for encouragement in the future, if the Convention will so act as that we may with confident assurance look forward to the same amount of money being contributed the present as for the past year, and not stopping here, but resolving that every effort shall be made as will make a considerable addition thereto.

I trust if there are any differences existing amongst laymen as to the management of the affairs of the Board, that in any wise operate to induce them to withhold from the means with which they have been blessed, a liberal use of same for the growth of the Church within our limits, they may be made to succumb to what seems for the general good. It seems to me it is not an occasion for any person withholding what God has given him or her for the benefit and advancement of their fellow-creatures. We do not all think alike on these questions of government, but can our differences be so great, that in such a work, by our opposition we are throwing in the way obstacles to a

permanent growth of the Church. I do not believe in sectionalism of any kind, and I am willing to harmonize my views upon these great issues with what seems for the general good of all. *Our* work is the building up of the Church in this Diocese. We may have petty differences as to how it should be done, but these, in my judgment, should be made to yield to the efforts being made for accomplishing the work in hand. This is the basis of true Christian charity, and every good churchman should throw away any objections he may have to how or why this or that is done, and utter his feelings of opposition to any action, or course, or policy to retard the great work, the vital work for the growth of the Church, "in thoughts that breathe and words that burn." Let an altar be found in the heart of every man, and a fire kindled thereon which shall burn to ashes the sentiments and acts of disloyalty, if any exist, to the pushing ahead the work of strengthening the Church in the nineteen counties comprising our jurisdiction. With such a feeling of unity in action and unity of purpose, we cannot fail in making such a record in our work as will make glad the hearts of all those laboring in and for the Master's Kingdom.

I do not believe in asking for special contributions, when those contributions are to be deducted from the sums generally contributed by the persons making same from their usual yearly offerings. This does not accomplish the end. What we need to do is to take our present condition into consideration, see what we owe, and add to this only such a sum for the work this year as in the aggregate we will be able to raise. If there are those willing to make special pledges over and above their regular contributions, let it be done through their Parishes. I think it would be well for the clerical and lay representatives of the different Parishes and Mission Stations to confer together at the Convention, and agree upon such a minimum sum as they will pledge for this year—a sum when pledged will be promptly paid in quarterly sums—and then let us build up our work on this foundation, whatever the sum may be, and look to God to give us the increase.

If the Convention should appropriate the sum of \$8,000 for the work for the coming year, and our receipts should be as large next year as for this, we ought to be able to wipe out nearly all of our existing debt.

The debt authorized by the Convention of 1876, and re-affirmed by the Convention of 1877, for taxes, insurance, repairs, etc., on the Bishop's house, to save the property from being sold, and which debt is now carried upon the individual security of the lay members of the Board, amounts to \$1,500—it was originally \$2,800. You will remember the Convention of 1876 adopted the report of the Committee, to whom the subject was referred, which report recommended an assessment upon the Parishes in accordance with the number of communicants. Some Parishes have paid this assessment in full, others in part, and the balance have paid nothing. It is wrong for the Diocese to expect a half-dozen laymen to carry this debt, and some further action should be taken to relieve them from it. The principle of its payment having been acted upon by two Conventions, it seems to me should be enforced. I take

the case, as it is, and do not wish to argue the merits or demerits of the original plan for payment, inasmuch as one-half of the debt has been paid in this way, I do not see how the plan for the payment of the balance can be changed. It has been said by some that it is not a legal or binding obligation upon the Diocese at large; that it should have been paid by the churchmen of Albany, whose generosity gave the property to the Diocese. Is this right? The house belongs to the Diocese, is a part of the support given the Bishop, and should not the Diocese take care of its own property by the payment of taxes, insurance, repairs, etc., upon it? The care of it is just as much an obligation on every part of the Diocese as is the payment of the salary pledged the Bishop, and nothing has ever been done to warrant the entertainment of a contrary opinion, or the making of it a personal charge upon the churchmen of Albany. I leave the matter for the Convention to take such action upon as they may deem wise, with the request that in justice and fairness to those individuals upon whom the responsibility for its payment now rests, and who have cared for it for over two years, may by its action be freed therefrom. The payment of the balance of the assessments would extinguish the debt.

It might be well in the Convention to call upon those parishes deficient in payment for an expression of what they can and will do towards the payment of their assessments.

In accordance with the suggestion made in last Convention, and as requested by the Board, I sent to each Rector and Missionary in the Diocese, for his own convenience and guidance, a suggestion of the minimum amount which in the judgment of the Board each congregation should contribute for the year to Diocesan Missions. How far the suggestions have been followed is seen from the statement of receipts. It certainly presents much that is encouraging for the future. We are indebted to Messrs. Chas. Van Benthuyssen & Sons in the sum of \$450, and to the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund in the sum of \$800.

Very respectfully,

*Adam E. Marvin.*  
Treasurer.

#### ABSTRACT.

##### *Disbursements.*

Jan. 1, 1877. Balance due Treasurer.....	\$709 00
Stipends paid Convocation of Albany.....	2,338 65
"                    "            Troy .....	2,783 30
"                    "            Susquehanna.....	1,686 53
"                    "            Ogdensburgh .....	4,765 75
Sundry purposes.....	429 25
Special purposes.....	335 00
Local stipends.....	18 00
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	\$13,065 48

*Receipts.*

Convocation of Albany.....	\$3,586 67
"    Troy.....	3,913 77
"    Susquehanna .....	946 45
"    Ogdensburgh.....	2,058 62
Sundry sources .....	467 83
Special purposes.....	335 00
Local stipends .....	18 00
Balance due Treasurer.....	1,739 14
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	\$13,065 48

Jan. 1, 1878. To balance due Treasurer ..... \$1,739 14

ABSTRACT OF THE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS ON ACCOUNT  
OF DEBT ON THE BISHOP'S HOUSE.

*Disbursements.*

Jan. 29, 1877. Note paid.....	\$2,200 00
June 1.    "    .....	1,600 00
Oct. 7.    "    .....	1,550 00
Balance on hand.....	69 66
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	\$5,419 66

*Receipts.*

Balance on hand, per last report.....	\$531 93
Received from Parishes .....	348 94
Jan. 29, 1877. Proceeds \$1,600 note.....	1,561 73
June 1.    "    \$1,550 " .....	1,512 94
Oct. 7.    "    \$1,500 " .....	1,464 12
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	\$5,419 66

Jan. 1, 1878. By balance on hand..... \$69 66

The resolutions presented by the Board of Missions were considered *seriatim*, and, on motion, were adopted ; the fourth resolution having first been amended by the addition of the words, "and that the amount appropriated be \$12,500, of which \$2,500 shall be used in the payment of the existing debt."

The Resolutions, presented by the Rev. Dr. Harison, which were referred to the Committee on Diocesan Missions, and by them favourably reported, were on motion adopted, as follows:

*Resolved*, That "the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Albany" be and hereby is appointed by this Convention to receive from the Treasurer of the Parochial Fund of the Diocese of New York, the sum of one thousand dollars, authorized by a Resolution of the Convention of that Diocese, passed September 30, 1869, to be transferred to this Diocese, together with any interest that may have accrued thereon, and to hold the same in trust for the objects had in view in the foundation and establishment of the Parochial Fund of the Diocese of New York.

*Resolved*, That the Board of Missions be and hereby is instructed to keep the money or securities received by them under the preceding Resolution securely invested, separately from all other funds, as the Parochial Fund of this Diocese, and to add to the capital of such fund all contributions that may hereafter be made thereto, unless otherwise directed by the donors, and to apply the interest or income thereof only to the objects of such Fund, as the same are stated in the Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, passed April 15th, 1860, and entitled "An Act for the Incorporation of the Trustees of the Parochial Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York."

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison, the Secretary was directed to send a certified copy of the first of these Resolutions to the Trustees of the Parochial Fund of the Diocese of New York, and of both Resolutions to the Board of Missions of the Diocese of Albany.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Board of Missions for the ensuing year; and the Rt. Rev. President announced as the Board elected:

CONVOCATION OF ALBANY.

The Rev. Samuel E. Smith,                      Mr. Henry R. Pierson.

CONVOCATION OF TROY.

The Rev. Frank L. Norton,                      Mr. Walter A. Wood.

CONVOCATION OF THE SUSQUEHANNA.

The Rev. Hobart Cooke,                      Dr. Frank U. Johnston.

CONVOCATION OF OGDENSBURGH.

The Rev. J. D. Morrison,                      Mr. Thomas L. Harison.

DIOCESE AT LARGE.

The Rev. Fenwick M. Cookson,                      Mr. Richard H. Cushney.

On motion of the Rev. James Caird, it was

*Resolved*, That this Convention expresses its fullest satisfaction with the faithful and judicious manner in which the Board of Missions of this Diocese has administered the affairs entrusted to it.

The Convention then adjourned until half-past nine o'clock of Wednesday morning.



SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY MORNING,

*January 16th, Half-past seven o'clock.*

The Holy Communion was administered; the Rev. Archdeacon Carey celebrating, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. F. L. Norton, W. Delafield, and H. H. Oberly.

*Half-past nine o'clock.*

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. C. S. Olmsted and C. T. Whittemore, and the Litany, by the Rev. E. T. Chapman.

The Rt. Rev. President took the Chair and called the Convention to order.

The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

The names of the Clergy and Lay Delegates, not present yesterday, were called by the Secretary; and the following-named members answered, and took their seats:

*Of the Clergy:*

The Rev. A. J. Brockway, and the Rev. H. R. Howard.

*Of Lay Delegates:*

ALBANY COUNTY.

*S. Paul's Church, Albany, John A. Hand.*

*Trinity Church, West Troy, William Hollands.*

*Church of the Holy Innocents, Albany, Caleb Palmer.*

SARATOGA COUNTY.

*Grace Church, Waterford, John Higgins.*

*S. Luke's Church, Mechanicville, Joseph F. Knickerbacker.*

*Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, P. P. Wiggins.*

SCHENECTADY COUNTY.

*S. George's Church, Schenectady, Abram A. Van Voast.*

WARREN COUNTY.

*S. James' Church, Caldwell, George H. Cramer, Frederick Tucker.*

*S. Mary's Church, Luzerne, Benjamin C. Butler.*

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

*S. James' Church, Fort Edward, Thomas R. Wade.*

The Report of the Superintendent of the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, and the Report of the Treasurer of the same, were presented and read:

ORPHAN HOUSE OF THE HOLY SAVIOUR—REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT  
FOR 1877.

There have been thirty-eight children in the Diocesan Orphanage during the past year—twelve boys and twenty-six girls. Three of the larger girls have returned to their friends, qualified for self-support, and two have been placed in very respectable families, where they are kindly cared for. The usual number of the children in the house has been thirty-three. This number would have been more than doubled, by children who would have been paid for by Otsego county, if we had been provided with a house large enough to receive them; the usefulness and strength of the institution being increased at the same time. A permanent and suitable Home for the Diocesan Orphanage has now become a very urgent need. On the 1st of April we shall be compelled to move—the fourth removal in rather more than six years. To uproot and transplant an Orphanage family, numbering nearly forty persons, is no light task. The expense is also a consideration. But the very leaky condition of the house now occupied renders removal a necessity. Where we shall carry our flock we do not yet know. Cannot the wealthy men and women of the Diocese come generously to our aid during the next twelve-month, and put a comfortable roof over these little ones, providing a safe, permanent home for them? As yet no house has been secured, even as a temporary home, after the 1st of April. If we may but hope that a suitable house shall be built within the next year, we shall be content to take refuge meanwhile in any shelter open to us, however inconvenient.

There are now children in the Orphanage from each of the four Convocations of the Diocese, and there are sad and touching little histories connected with many of them. To many equally interesting cases we have been compelled to refuse admittance, for want of room. It is believed that all are improving in industrial, moral, and religious training, and the Trustees also profess themselves satisfied with the condition of the school.

The general health of the family, thanks be to God, has been good. But the past winter was one of much anxiety; twenty of the children were ill with whooping-cough from November to April. All have recovered, though several were alarmingly ill. This long illness of so many added, of course, to the expenditure in the way of fuel, lights, medicines and special food.

Liberal and most useful gifts of clothing have been received from ladies of the following parishes: St. John's, Stockport and Stottsville; the Young Ladies' Sewing Society of St. Paul's, Troy; the Missionary Helpers, St. John's, Troy; St. John's, Johnstown; Hudson, through Miss Wight; St. John's, Cohoes; Mrs. Carter, shoes and stockings to the amount of \$50; Mrs. Sturges, winter outfit for one orphan girl; Mrs. Lyman, three pairs knitted stockings; Mrs. Sill, eight pairs of mittens, these ladies belonging to Christ Church, Cooperstown; Mrs. Cox, Cherry Valley, four hats, one comfortable, seventeen pairs of stockings; Mrs. Mary Todd, New Berlin, three pairs of stockings; Mrs. Matthews Morris, eight pairs of knitted stockings; H. Win-

sor, Hartwick, six pairs of woollen stockings. The ladies of Christ Church, Cooperstown, St. Paul's, Springfield, and St. John's, Portlandville, have also been very kind in sewing for the Orphanage. Provisions have also been received from friends in this neighborhood, estimated at a value of about \$50.

The current expenses of the year, for a family of thirty-eight, have been as follows :

Salaries, wages and labour.....	\$690 19
Furniture, bedding and stoves.....	85 18
Clothing and shoes.....	242 26
Books, stationery, medicines.....	106 12
Coal and wood.....	267 62
Provisions, lights and soap.....	1,329 03

Amounting to..... \$2,720 40

To this must be added \$350 for rent, making a total expenditure of \$3,070.40.

The receipts of the year have been as follows: From thirty-eight churches, \$773.92; from individuals, \$834.71; board of children, \$947.10, of which \$714.60 were paid by Otsego county for nine children, and \$232.50 were paid for five children of the Diocese, by their friends; interest on bonds, \$87.50; cash on hand Jan. 1st, 1877, \$118.99; total receipts of the year, \$2,762.22; total expenditure, \$3,070.40.

It will be observed that the receipts of the year, \$2,762.22, would have defrayed all current expenses, \$2,720, had there been no rent to pay. To meet this deficit of \$350 for rent, it became necessary to sell a bond of \$500, from the Building Fund. This step has been taken, leaving, from the bond sold, \$191.82 cash on hand, Jan. 1st, 1878.

It would be clearly a prudent, as well as a charitable step, to build a permanent Home for the Orphanage, as soon as practicable, thus relieving the Trustees from all outlay for rent. We do not ask for a costly architectural edifice, such as are erected in the cities; we beg merely for a simple, respectable, comfortable house, where these little ones may be gathered in safety, and from whose doors it will not be necessary to turn away so many orphans, and half-orphans. For such a house we enter a most earnest petition.

The Building Fund now amounts to about \$1,380.

Respectfully submitted,

SUSAN FENIMORE COOPER,  
*Superintendent.*

January 10, 1878.

ABSTRACT OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

1877.

*Receipts.*

Jan. 1. Cash on hand.....	\$118 99
Parishes, individuals, etc.....	2,643 23
Sale of bond.....	500 00
Total.....	\$3,262 22

Disbursements.

Wages and labour.....	\$690 19
Clothing and shoes.....	242 26
Provisions, lights and soap.....	1,329 03
Furniture, bedding and stoves.....	85 18
Books, stationery and medicines.....	106 12
Coal and wood.....	267 62
Rent.....	350 00
Cash on hand.....	191 82
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Total.....	\$3,262 22

On motion of the Rev. S. E. Smith, it was

*Resolved*, That the Orphan House at Cooperstown, heartily commends itself to the charitable consideration and liberal offerings of the church people of this Diocese ; and, since it is a recognized institution in the Diocese, each parish is requested to make at least one offering annually, to the treasury of the Orphan House, especially with the view of erecting additional house accommodation.

The Reports of the Trustees and of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, and of the Committee on the Bishop's salary, were presented, and referred to the Committee on the same.

*To the Conction of the Diocese of Albany :*

The undersigned Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese, respectfully report, that they hold the following investments for the Fund :

Bonds and mortgages on real estate in the city of Albany, at 7 per cent.....	\$31,500 00
\$4,600 U. S. bonds, 6 per cent. interest, gold, cost.....	4,179 25
Parish bond, S. John's Church, Cohoes.....	800 00
Parish bond, Grace Church, Waterford.....	500 00
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	\$37,979 25

Respectfully yours,

H. PUMPELLY,  
JAMES FORSYTH,  
J. H. VAN ANTWERP,  
A. P. PALMER,  
*Trustees.*

ALBANY, *January 14th*, 1878.

We, the undersigned, have examined the above report and find it correct.

WALTER DELAFIELD,  
GEO. ST. JOHN.

The undersigned, Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany, respectfully reports :

*Episcopal Fund in account with J. H. Van Antwerp, Treasurer.*

1877.		
Jan. 2.	To Oswego city bond, matured.....	\$500 00
Apr. 17.	\$400 5-20's and premium, called.....	451 00
18.	\$100 5-20's and premium, called.....	112 75
June 5.	Contribution by Trinity Church, Rensselaerville....	2 00
Dec. 28.	Contribution by Grace Church, Canton.....	5 00
31.	Contribution by Trinity Church, Plattsburgh.....	1 00
1878.		
Jan. 2.	Matured Oswego bond.....	500 00
12.	Transferred from "Income account" .....	9 75
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		\$1,581 50
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1877.		
Apr. 19.	By \$500 5-20's, '65, purchased .....	\$550 00
1878.		
Jan. 2.	By \$1,000 5-20's, '65, purchased.....	1,031 50
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		\$1,581 50

E. E.

ALBANY, *January 15th*, 1878.

J. H. VAN ANTWERP,  
*Treasurer Episcopal Fund.*

*Episcopal Income in account with J. H. Van Antwerp, Treasurer.*

1877.		
Mar. 28.	To taxes on Bishop's house.....	\$358 53
April 2.	paid Bishop, quarter's salary.....	1,250 00
18.	insurance on Bishop's house.....	30 00
July 2.	paid Bishop, quarter's salary.....	1,250 00
Aug. 9.	insurance on Bishop's house.....	10 50
Oct. 1.	paid Bishop, quarter's salary.....	1,250 00
1878.		
Jan. 4.	paid Bishop, quarter's salary.....	1,250 00
11.	printing, postage, etc.....	75 00
12.	taxes on Bishop's house, 1877.....	330 17
	amount transferred to "Episcopal Fund" .....	9 75
	balance in bank.....	588 67
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		\$6,402 62
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1877.		
	By balance from last report .....	\$318 32
Feb. 1.	interest Gibson mortgage to date.....	140 00
	interest Kennah mortgage to January 1.....	175 00
	interest Clute mortgage to January 1.....	122 50

1877.

Feb. 1.	By interest Cook mortgage to January 1.....	\$70 00
23.	interest S. John's Church, Cohoes, bond, on account,	56 00
April 1.	interest Walsh mortgage to date.....	147 67
3.	Tillinghast, Secretary, 1875.....	200 00
	Tillinghast, Secretary, 1876.....	393 67
4.	interest S. John's Church, Cohoes, bond, to Feb. 1,	67 00
9.	interest Grace Church, Waterford, bond, to Jan. 1,	35 00
June 5.	Tillinghast, Secretary, 1876 .....	112 09
	Tillinghast, Secretary, 1877 .....	392 68
July 1.	interest Kennah mortgage.....	210 00
	interest (gold) \$3,600 U. S. bonds.....	108 00
	premium on U. S. bonds .....	5 40
	interest \$500 Oswego bond.....	17 50
2.	interest Edwards mortgage.....	140 00
	interest Clark mortgage.....	280 00
Aug. 1.	interest Clute mortgage to July 1.....	122 50
	interest Cook mortgage to July 1.....	70 00
Sep. 14.	interest Grace Church, Waterford, bond, to Aug. 1,	28 00
Oct. 1.	interest M'Harg mortgage.....	140 00
3.	Tillinghast, Secretary, 1877.....	588 46
Dec. 28.	Tillinghast, Secretary, 1876.....	16 30
1878.		
Jan. 2.	interest \$500 Oswego bond.....	17 50
	interest Edwards mortgage.....	140 00
	interest Gibson mortgage to date.....	256 67.
	Tillinghast, Secretary, 1877.....	839 50
	interest (gold) \$3,600 U. S. bonds .....	108 00
	premium on U. S. bonds.....	3 00
	interest on balances in bank.....	12 50
	interest Kennah mortgage.....	210 00
	interest Clark mortgage.....	280 00
11.	Tillinghast, Secretary, balance, 1876.....	200 00
	Tillinghast, Secretary, 1877 .....	379 36
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		\$6,402 62

1878.

Balance in bank, \$588.67.

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J. H. VAN ANTWERP,

*Treasurer Episcopal Fund.*

ALBANY, January 15th, 1878.

## BISHOP'S SALARY—ASSESSMENTS, 1877.

Amount of assessments paid, \$2,716.02; amount of assessments unpaid, \$461.62; total amount of assessments, \$3,049.25.

*Remitted to J. H. Van Antwerp, Treasurer.*

1877, June 4.....	\$392 68	On account of assessments for 1876.	
Oct. 2.....	588 46	1877, June 4.....	\$112 09
Dec. 27.....	839 50	Dec. 27.....	16 30
1878, Jan. 10.....	379 36		
Balance in hands of Sec'y.	387 63		
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	\$2,587 63		\$128 39

For the Committee,

J. J. TILLINGHAST, *Secretary.*

TROY, *January 10, 1878.*

E. & O. E.

The Reports of the Trustees, and of the Treasurer, of the Fund for Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of the Committee on the same, were presented and read :

DIocese of ALBANY,  
ALBANY, *December 31st, A.D. 1877.*

The Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, present herewith the report of the Treasurer of the Fund, showing the receipts and disbursements of the year.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE,  
LYMAN TREMAIN,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE FUND FOR THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF  
DECEASED CLERGYMEN, FROM JAN. 1, 1877, TO JAN. 1, 1878.

*Disbursements.*

1877, June 11.	Mrs. J. L. Harrison .....	\$25 00
Aug. 11.	" M. E. Hughes .....	25 00
15.	" F. E. Huntington.....	25 00
Sept. 6.	" J. L. Harrison.....	50 00
Dec. 13.	" J. L. Harrison.....	25 00
	Balance on hand.....	568 96
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		\$718 96

*Receipts.*

1877.	Balance on hand, per last report .....	\$557 85
	Cathedral of All Saints.....	5 00
	Trinity, Rensselaerville.....	4 20
	S. John's, Cohoes .....	4 00
	Trinity, West Troy.....	7 00
	Zion, Fonda.....	2 00
	S. John's, Stockport.....	5 19
	S. Paul's, Troy.....	40 00
	Holy Cross, Troy .....	40 00



*Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.*

Messiah, Greenbush.....	\$2 00
Christ, Ballston Spa.....	14 36
Messiah, Glens Falls .....	10 52
Trinity, Whitehall .....	1 81
S. John's, Richfield Springs.....	1 80
S. John's, Ogdensburgh .....	8 70
Trinity, Potsdam.....	11 19
Grace, Canton.....	3 34
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	\$718 96
1878, Jan. 1. By balance on hand.....	\$566 96

*Alvan E. Marvin,*  
Treasurer.

TROY, NEW YORK, *January 15th, 1878.*

We, the Committee to examine the Report of the Treasurer of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, from January 1st, 1877, to January 1st, 1878, certify that we have found the same correct.

RICHARD TEMPLE,  
EDWARD M. HOLBROOK.

The Reports of the Trustees, and of the Treasurer, of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, and of the Committee on the same, were presented and read :

DIOCESE OF ALBANY,  
ALBANY, *December 31st, 1877.*

The undersigned Trustees of the Fund for the Support of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, respectfully report that the receipts and disbursements of the year have been as reported by the Treasurer, as follows :

Balance on hand, as per last report .....	\$2,565 02
Receipts from Parishes.....	410 44
Receipts from interest on bonds and mortgages.....	770 63
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Total .....	\$3,746 09
Disbursements .....	1,375 00
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Balance on hand .....	\$2,371 09

The permanent fund consists of three bonds and mortgages, amounting to \$11,000, as follows :

William H. Radford.....	\$5,000 00
Alexander McDonald .....	5,000 00
Robert D. Wood.....	1,000 00

upon which the interest has been regularly paid. There is due from the Board of Missions the sum of eight hundred dollars.

Accompanying this report is a statement of the Treasurer in detail.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE,  
JOS. W. FULLER,  
AMASA J. PARKER, Jr.,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN.

The Committee on the Report of the Trustees of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund respectfully recommend the adoption of the said report. They would also call attention to the fact that the expenditures for the year exceeded the income by \$193.93. This is evidently owing to the fact that only thirty-nine Parishes contributed to the fund, some of the most important in the Diocese being amongst the number which failed in this respect. Though the drain upon this fund is not at present great, still it is very desirable that the fund itself should not be diminished. The Committee would therefore urge upon all Parishes the wisdom and the duty of obeying the canon in regard to a yearly offering for this object. A small contribution from each Parish yearly would insure a gradual increase in the permanent fund.

WALKER GWYNNE,  
JOHN S. VAN VALKENBURGH.

*January 16th, 1878.*

The Report of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary was presented and read :

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary respectfully report : That, upon examination, they find there are no vacancies to be filled in the list of members of the Board of Trustees from this Diocese. They also find that there are six students from this Diocese pursuing their studies at the Seminary.

ROBERT WEEKS, *Chairman*,  
WM. BOGERT WALKER,  
HENRY ROSEBOOM,  
JAS. W. HORTON.

The Report of the Committee on Non-reporting Clergy and Parishes was presented and read :

The Committee on Non-reporting Clergy and Parishes respectfully report, that the following Parishes are recorded in the Journal of the last Convention as having made no report, viz. :

S. Mark's. Green Island.  
Church of the Redeemer, Northampton.  
Christ Church, Duaneburgh,  
S. John's, Copake.  
Holy Cross, Troy.  
S. Sacrament, Bolton.  
Grace, Crandall's Corners.

Christ, Deposit. .  
S. Luke's, Richfield.  
S. Timothy's, Westford.  
S. Mark's, Garrattsville.  
Trinity, Sharon.  
S. Paul's, Keeseville.

The Committee would also call attention to the fact that, among the Parishes that made a report, some appear to have made an incomplete report, or else the Parishes have not fulfilled their canonical obligations with regard to their offerings.

The Journal of 1877 contains no data with reference to the non-reporting Clergy.

The Committee would add the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That this Convention most earnestly calls the attention of the Clergy and Wardens of the Parishes to the importance of making full and complete reports of their Parishes every year.

(Signed)

GEORGE FISHER.

The Report of the Registrar, and of the Committee on the same, was presented and read :

The Registrar of the Diocese would respectfully report: That he received, during the year 1877, Journals of the Conventions of the different Dioceses in the United States, completing the files, excepting one Journal for 1875, one for 1876, and six for 1877. He also received fourteen duplicate Journals for 1877; the second Annual Report of the Free Church Association; the Journal of the Attempted Conventions of Connecticut, 1832 and 1833; and a Brief History of the Church of Our Saviour, at Lebanon Springs, N. Y.; and also the Application of S. James' Church, Oneonta, for admission into union with this Diocese.

GEORGE FISHER, *Registrar*.

The Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Registrar, respectfully report, that they have examined the same, and find it satisfactory.

They submit the following Resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the Registrar be authorized to make the necessary provision for the better preservation of the Archives.

*Resolved*, That he be authorized to bind the unbound Conventional Journals now in his possession, at an expense not exceeding thirty or forty cents per volume.

*Resolved*, That he be allowed to draw upon the Treasurer of the Diocese to defray the expenses.

D. L. SCHWARTZ,  
S. S. MATTESON.

On motion, the Resolutions appended to the Report of the Committee were adopted.

The Secretary read the Report of the Special Committee on that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the "Act for the Incorporation of Churches in the State of New York":

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Act for the incorporation of Churches, respectfully report the accompanying draft of a Memorial to the Legislature upon the subject, together with the following resolutions of which they recommend the adoption :

*Resolved*, That the accompanying draft of a Memorial to the Legislature be adopted by this Convention, and that the same be engrossed, and signed in duplicate by the President, and attested by the Secretary, and presented to each House of the Legislature.

*Resolved*, That a copy of this Memorial be transmitted by the Secretary to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the other Dioceses within the State.

In regard to the question, also referred to us, of the expediency of taking action with reference to the reassembling of the Federate Council, we have not been able to agree upon any recommendation; and we therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of it.

By order of the Committee,

FRANCIS HARISON,  
*Chairman.*

*To the Honourable the Legislature of the State of New York:*

The Memorial of the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Albany, respectfully sheweth:

It has been, ever since the establishment of our State government, the settled policy of the Legislature to provide for the organization and incorporation of religious societies, according to the principles and customs of each Church or denomination, so far as consistent with public policy. Accordingly by Acts of the Legislature passed previously to the year 1813, and more especially by the Act passed April 5th, 1813, and by the amendments since made thereto, provision has been made for the incorporation of Protestant Episcopal Churches, in accordance with their principles and customs. The latest amendment to these acts was adopted in 1868, after the same had been fully considered and agreed to by the representatives of the Dioceses of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State. No further amendment has been asked for, or is desired, by them. Nevertheless, from time to time, efforts have been made to obtain from the Legislature amendments to the Act under which our Churches are incorporated; and your Memorialists are informed that a Bill for that purpose, and containing provisions which your Memorialists consider would be very undesirable, is now pending in one of the branches of your Honourable body.

Your Memorialists therefore most earnestly represent that no amendment to the Act for the Incorporation of Protestant Episcopal Churches should be adopted, unless the same be asked for by the Conventions of at least a majority of the Dioceses within the State or by the Federate Council of the same; and in particular they pray that the Bill above referred to may not be passed.

On behalf and by order of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Albany, this 16th day of January, A.D. 1878.

On motion, the Resolutions appended to the Report of the Committee, were unanimously adopted.

The Reports of the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, and of the Committee on the same, and also the Report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, of money received and disbursed by him for the education of theological students, were presented and read :

The Society for Promoting Religion and Learning in the State of New York, as the canonical agent of the Diocese of Albany, for the distribution of all funds contributed for Theological Education, respectfully submits through its Superintendent, the following Report :

That it has paid to young men from the Diocese of Albany, pursuing their studies in Institutions within the limits of the State of New York, with a view to enter the sacred ministry, every penny of the amount received. The aggregate of the sums contributed during the convention year, from January, 1877, to January, 1878, is less than three hundred (\$300) dollars.

The Society, although its income is much reduced by the failure of lessees, and the depreciation of the value of real estate, has appropriated out of its own funds, nearly *three thousand dollars*, to aid Albanian students in their preparation for Holy Orders. It would be a source of great gratification to the Trustees, if the Clergy and Laity of Albany, would second with corresponding zeal, the efforts of the Society to Promote Religion and Learning within the limits of their Diocese. The fear is entertained, that with the most hearty desire to continue to do in the future, as it has done in the past, the Society will be unable for some years to come, to make its appropriations as large as they have heretofore been. It would be well, therefore, for the Diocese to learn to help itself in the training of its students, as the time may speedily arrive, when Albany will be obliged to rely very much more largely than she does now, upon her own resources, for the support of her candidates for the sacred ministry.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE F. SEYMOUR,  
*Superintendent of the Society for Promoting Religion  
and Learning in the State of New York.*

General Theological Seminary, New York,  
*January 14th, 1878.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE, OF MONEY RECEIVED AND DISBURSED FOR THE EDUCATION OF THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS FOR YEAR 1877.

*Disbursements.*

1877. April	7.	J. Streibert, Jr.....	\$50 00
	30.	B. R. Kirkbride.....	20 00
June	5.	W. C. Shearman.....	25 00
		J. Streibert.....	50 00
Sept.	21.	W. C. Shearman.....	25 00
Dec.		" .....	25 00
		Balance on hand.....	64 00
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			\$259 00

*Receipts.*

1877.	Balance on hand, per last report.....	\$35 50
	Grace, Albany.....	3 00
	S. John's, Cohoes .....	9 50
	Trinity, West Troy.....	10 71
	S. John's, Johnstown.....	5 00
	S. Luke's, Catskill.....	8 50
	Christ, Herkimer.....	3 00
	Zion, Fonda.....	2 24
	S. John's, Troy.....	23 66
	Holy Cross, Troy.....	25 00
	Bethesda, Saratoga Springs.....	40 00
	Calvary, Burnt Hills.....	4 52
	Messiah, Glens Falls.....	16 12
	Christ, Cooperstown.....	11 50
	Trinity, Potsdam.....	9 35
	Trinity Chapel, Morley.....	1 40
	Through Bishop Doane.....	25 00
	Holy Cross, Troy,.....	25 00
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		\$259 00

1878. Jan'y 1. By balance on hand, \$64.

*Alvan Marvin,*  
Treasurer.

The Committee on the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning respectfully reports, that it has examined the Report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, of money received and disbursed for the education of theological students, for the year 1877, and finds that he has received from different parishes, the sum of \$224.50, and has disbursed \$195. The accompanying vouchers for the different sums expended have been examined and found correct. The Committee also has examined the Report of the Superintendent of the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning in the State of New York, and finds that the Diocese has contributed towards the funds of the Society, a sum of less than \$300. The Society, it appears, has appropriated in aid of Albanian students, a sum little less than \$3,000.

The Committee desires, in the fullest manner, to acknowledge the valuable assistance given to the Candidates for Holy Orders from this Diocese, by the Society, and would confidently hope that our parishes will respond as they may have the ability, to the appeal of the Society for liberal contributions in aid of its funds. At the same time, it is to be remembered that the Diocese, with the immense missionary work upon its hands, cannot be expected to aid in the cause of Education, as liberally as those portions of the Church where

the missionary demands are less ; and it appears to the Committee, that the Society, unless its title is a misnomer, is specially called to aid those portions of the State of New York, like the Diocese of Albany, where the field is white for the harvest, and the labourers are few.

J. D. MORRISON,  
GEO. L. NEIDE,  
A. B. COX.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported verbally, through the Secretary, that they find no unfinished business.

The Report of the Committee on the Diocesan Fund and Mileage of the Clergy, was presented and read :

DIOCESAN CONVENTION, *January*, 1878.

The undersigned Committee on the Diocesan Fund and Mileage of the Clergy, beg leave to report as follows :

The receipts of the year have been.....	\$1,680 15
Balance on hand, as reported to last Convention.....	49 51

Total.....	\$1,729 66
Disbursements.....	1,345 21

Leaving a balance in hands of Treasurer of.....	\$384 45
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They find it will be necessary for the Convention to provide the sum of \$350 to pay mileage of the clergy in attendance at this session, and that there is an indebtedness to Messrs. Charles Van Benthuyzen & Sons of \$850 for printing ; but the balance in the hands of the Treasurer, as reported above, together with subsequent receipts, will reduce this amount to \$250, and this amount will be paid as soon as the balance of the assessments for 1877 is received.

They beg leave to call the attention of the Convention to the necessity of providing for the following objects :

For mileage.....	\$350 00
Printing Journal.....	500 00
Current expenses.....	250 00

Total.....	\$1,100 00
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The provision for the payment of the above having been already made, the Committee have nothing further to recommend, but beg leave to offer the following Resolutions :

*Resolved*, That mileage be paid to clergymen in attendance upon the Convention who have come from a distance more than twenty miles from their place of residence to the city of Troy, at a rate of seven cents a mile one way, and recommend that those clergymen whose expenses for travel are not as much as seven cents a mile, only accept the amount of same.

*Resolved*, That the Parishes and Mission Stations send to the Treasurer



of the Diocese one-half of their assessments by the first day of April, and the balance on or before the first day of September.

FRANK L. NORTON,  
FENWICK M. COOKSON,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN.

On motion, the Resolutions appended to the Report were adopted.

On motion it was

*Resolved*, That the Resolution ordering an assessment of three per cent. on the salaries of the clergy, to meet the Diocesan expenses, be reconsidered.

The Rev. Mr. Battershall moved to amend the Resolution, making the assessment two and a half per cent.

The Rev. Mr. Hobbie moved to amend the amendment so as to make the assessment three per cent., which motion was carried.

The Resolution, so amended, having been restored to its original terms, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. J. Forsyth, it was

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Special Committee of Three to settle with the Diocese of New York as to the Episcopal Fund, be made the Order of the Day at 7 o'clock this evening.

On motion of the Rev. W. M. Ogden, it was

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons, whether such amendments of Constitution and Canons would not be advisable, as would constitute Churchwardens *ex officio* delegates to the several Conventions, with power to name substitutes.

2. To amend Art. IV, to read "Holy Communion and Sermon."

3. To amend Art. IX, by striking out all included between brackets "(unless the ballot be dispensed with by unanimous vote)."

The hour for the Annual Elections having arrived, the Rt. Rev. President appointed the Tellers.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE.

*Clerical vote*: The Rev. A. Danker, and Mr. S. M. Van Santvoord.

*Lay vote*: The Rev. G. Fisher, and Mr. T. R. Wade.

#### DEPUTY TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

*Clerical vote*: The Rev. J. E. Hall, and Mr. A. B. Cox.

*Lay vote*: Rev. R. G. Hamilton, and Mr. G. St. John.

#### DEPUTIES TO THE FEDERATE COUNCIL.

*Clerical vote*: The Rev. C. H. Vandyne, and Mr. A. A. Van Vorst.

Nominations being in order, the Rev. Henry R. Howard was nominated by the Rev. J. D. Morrison, and the Rev. G. W. Dean, S.T.D., by the Rev. Archdeacon Payne, for election as Deputy to the General Convention.

The Rev. James Haughton and the Rev. Walker Gwynne were nominated by the Rev. Archdeacon Pecke, for election as Deputies to the Federate Council.

The Roll of the Clergy was called by the Secretary, and the Roll of the Lay Delegates by the Assistant Secretary.

Ballots were received for members of the Standing Committee, one Deputy to General Convention, and two Deputies to the Federate Council.

The Rt. Rev. President announced that the polls were closed, and directed the Tellers to count the votes, for which purpose they had leave to retire.

The report of the Special Committee, on that portion of the Bishop's Address which refers to the proposed Conference at Lambeth, was presented and read :

The Committee, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the approaching Lambeth Council, beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the questions therein presented, and are fully impressed with the importance of the proposed Council, to the interests of the Anglican Communion. The questions which are to come before that body are such as can be met by no body less broadly representative, and while it is objected that the proposed Council decrees nothing and enacts nothing, yet it cannot fairly be assumed that the Conference of the Bishops of the Mother and the Daughter Churches will be less fruitful of results in the present juncture because voluntary and not authoritative.

Your Committee would therefore propose the following resolutions, as expressive of the sense of this Convention :

*Resolved*, That this Convention has heard with pleasure of the invitation which has been extended to the Bishops of the American Church, to the Second Council of the Anglican Communion, at Lambeth, and hereby records its approval of the purposes of that Council.

*Resolved*, That the Bishop be requested to consider his duty under this invitation, and if, in balancing responsibility against responsibility, he shall decide that his duty to the Church of Christ at large must for a time replace his more limited duties to the Diocese, the Convention would approve that decision, and its prayers would follow him for God's blessing upon his journey, for his personal health and safety, and for the presence and guidance of God's blessed Spirit in the deliberations of the Council.

F. L. NORTON,  
J. D. MORRISON,  
EDWIN COAN,  
J. W. FULLER,  
THOS. A. TILLINGHAST,  
O. MEADS,  
WALTER A. WOOD.

On motion, the Resolutions appended to the Report were unanimously adopted.

The Rev. R. A. Olin offered the following Preambles and Resolution :

*Whereas*, It is the solemn duty of the Church of Christ to labour for the suppression of immorality, vice and crime in society, of which she is the spiritual guardian ; and,

*Whereas*, In the present day and in our own borders, it is obvious that excess in the use of alcoholic beverages is a great and formidable obstacle to the spiritual well-being and progress of society ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That this Convention earnestly recommends, to its clergy, the adoption of any such specific measures as, being conformable to the teaching of God's Word, may tend to the suppression of drunkenness.

The Rev. E. M. Pecke proposed to amend the resolution by adding the words "and gluttony."

The amendment was accepted by the Rev. Mr. Olin, and these words became a part of the Resolution.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison, the Preambles and Resolution were laid upon the table.

A count of the votes being called for, *thirty-seven* persons were found voting in the affirmative, and *thirty-one* in the negative.

The Tellers of the Clerical Vote for the Standing Committee reported :

Whole number of votes cast, 54 : necessary to a choice 28. The Rev. Dr. Payne received 52 ; the Rev. Dr. Reese, 51 ; the Rev. Dr. Tucker, 50 ; and the Rev. Dr. Bostwick, 48. Mr. O. Meads received 54 ; Mr. T. A. Tillinghast, 49 ; Mr. R. B. Monell, 48, and Mr. R. Earle 44.

ALBERT DANKER,  
S. M. VAN SANTVOORD.

The Tellers of the Lay Vote for the Standing Committee reported :

Whole number of votes cast, 21 : necessary to a choice, 11. The Rev. Drs. Payne, Reese, Tucker and Bostwick each received 21. Mr. O. Meads received 21 ; Mr. T. A. Tillinghast, 21 ; Mr. Robert Earle, 21 ; and Mr. R. B. Monell, 20.

GEORGE FISHER,  
T. R. WADE.

The Rt. Rev. President declared elected as the Standing Committee :

The Rev. WILLIAM PAYNE, D.D.,	Mr. ORLANDO MEADS,
The Rev. J. LIVINGSTON REESE, D.D.,	Mr. THOMAS A. TILLINGHAST,
The Rev. J. IRELAND TUCKER, S.T.D.,	Mr. ROBERT B. MONELL,
The Rev. SAMUEL B. BOSTWICK, S.T.D.,	Mr. ROBERT EARLE.

The Tellers of the Clerical Vote for Deputies to the Federate Council reported :

Whole number of votes cast, 38 : necessary to a choice 20. The Rev. Walker Gwynne received 29 ; the Rev. James Haughton, 26. Scattering, 15.

C. H. VANDYNE,  
A. A. VAN VORST.

The Tellers of the Lay Vote for Deputies to the Federate Council reported:

Whole number of votes cast, 16: necessary to a choice, 9. The Rev. Walker Gwynne received 14; the Rev. James Haughton, 14. Scattering, 2.

D. L. SCHWARTZ,  
GEORGE B. SMITH.

The Rt. Rev. President declared elected Deputies to the Federate Council, the Rev. Messrs. Walker Gwynne and James Haughton.

The Tellers of the Clerical Vote for a Deputy to the General Convention reported:

Whole number of votes cast, 58: necessary to a choice, 30. The Rev. H. R. Howard received 29; the Rev. Dr. Dean, 14. Scattering, 15.

JAMES E. HALL,  
A. B. COX.

The Tellers of the Lay Vote for a Deputy to the General Convention reported:

Whole number of votes cast, 23: necessary to a choice, 12. The Rev. H. R. Howard received 14. Scattering, 9.

R. G. HAMILTON,  
GEO. ST. JOHN.

The Rt. Rev. President having declared that there was no election, the two orders not concurring; the Convention forthwith proceeded to another ballot.

The Roll of the Clergy was called by the Secretary, and the Roll of the Lay Delegates by the Assistant Secretary; and ballots were received for one Deputy to the General Convention.

The Rt. Rev. President announced that the polls were closed, and directed the tellers to count the votes, for which purpose they had leave to retire.

The Rev. J. W. Stewart presented and read a Report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons:

The Committee on Constitution and Canons to whom were referred certain proposed amendments to the Constitution and Canons, respectfully report as follows:

I. In regard to the Churchwardens being constituted Lay Delegates *ex officio* to the Convocations, the Committee report that the proposed alteration, although possibly introducing an improvement in the Canon is not of sufficient value to make it desirable. The Committee remind the Convention that the object proposed to facilitate the choice of Lay Delegates to Convocation, can be attained under the existing law by a meeting of the Congregation. Such meeting may be held on a notice given by the Rector on Sunday, and any number of the Congregation may be competent to elect. The meeting may, ~~desired~~, be held immediately after Divine Service on Sunday.

The Committee are of opinion that alterations of the Constitution

should only be made for grave cause, and not for the sake of minor improvements. They cannot, therefore, recommend either of the proposed amendments.

By order of the Committee,

J. W. STEWART,  
*Chairman.*

On motion of the Rev. W. Gwynne, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, it was

*Resolved*, That the Convention reconsider the vote which laid upon the table the Preambles and Resolution offered by the Rev. R. A. Olin.

On motion of the same, it was

*Resolved*, That said Preambles and Resolution be referred to a special Committee.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed as the Committee, the Rev. Messrs. W. Gwynne, and R. A. Olin; Messrs. H. R. Pierson, R. H. Cushney and G. H. Cramer.

The Tellers of the Clerical Vote, for one Deputy to the General Convention (second ballot), reported :

Whole number of votes cast, 57 : necessary to a choice, 29. The Rev. H. R. Howard received 32; the Rev. Dr. E. N. Potter, 12; the Rev. Dr. Dean, 11. Scattering, 2.

JAMES E. HALL,  
A. B. COX.

The Tellers of the Lay Vote, for one Deputy to the General Convention (second ballot), reported :

Whole number of votes cast, 23 : necessary to a choice, 12. The Rev. H. R. Howard received 12; the Rev. Dr. E. N. Potter, 5; the Rev. Dr. Dean, 4. Scattering, 2.

R. G. HAMILTON,  
GEO. ST. JOHN.

The Rt. Rev. President declared duly elected a Deputy to the General Convention, the Rev. Henry R. Howard.

The Convention, on motion, took a recess until two o'clock in the afternoon.

*Two o'clock in the Afternoon.*

The Convention re-assembled.

The Rt. Rev. President took the Chair, and called the Convention to order.

On motion, it was

*Resolved*, To proceed to the election of a Provisional Deputy to the General Convention, to fill the vacancy caused by the election of the Rev. H. R. Howard as a Deputy.

The Rev. J. D. Morrison was nominated by the Rev. R. H. Howard, for election as a Provisional Deputy.

On motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the Rev. J. D. Morrison was elected.

The Bishop then read that portion of his Annual Address, which contains the details of his visitations. (See page 8.)

The appointment of Trustees being in order, on motion of the Secretary, they were appointed by the Convention, as follows.

**FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN.**

Messrs. Orlando Meads, Joseph W. Fuller, Amasa J. Parker, jr.

**FUND FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.**

Messrs. Lyman Tremain, John I. Thompson, John Hobart Warren.

The Bishop appointed as Examining Chaplains: The Rev. James Haughton, the Rev. William N. Irish, the Rev. J. Ireland Tucker, S.T.D., the Rev. G. W. Dean, S.T.D., the Rev. Edward M. Pecke, the Rev. George L. Neide, the Rev. J. D. Morrison, the Rev. W. H. Cook, and the Rev. William R. Woodbridge.

The Convention took a recess until 7 o'clock in the evening.

*Seven o'clock in the Evening.*

The Convention re-assembled.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. D. G. Anderson, of the Diocese of Massachusetts, and the Rev. Richard Temple; the Rev. W. M. Ogden reading the Lessons.

The Right Rev. President took the chair, and called the Convention to order.

The Order of the Day was taken up, being the Report of "The Committee of Three to settle with the Diocese of New York as to the Episcopal Fund."

Mr. James Forsyth presented and read the Report of the Committee:

*To the Convention of the Diocese of Albany:*

At the Convention of January 13th, 1875, on motion of Rev. Dr. Payne, a committee of five was appointed "to memorialize the next Annual Convention of the Diocese of New York to assist, in whatever way they may deem best, the Diocese of Albany in completing its Episcopal Endowment."

The committee was composed of Rev. Dr. Payne, Rev. Dr. Tucker, John Tayler Cooper, Henry R. Pierson, Nathan B. Warren.

This committee proceeded to memorialize the Diocese of New York, and the response they obtained to their memorial was a copy of a report made to the New York Convention in 1875 by a special committee of five, consisting of Charles Tracy, James Emott, E. A. Washburn, Morgan Dix and Cambridge Livingston. This report is found at page 160 of the Journal of the Diocese for 1876, and repudiates all claims of this Diocese for any part of the

old Episcopal Fund, and also informs us that they have, through voluntary subscriptions of individuals, raised a sum towards our Episcopal Fund, which, at the date of said report (Sept. 30, 1875), amounted to \$1,759.97 (in U. S. Trust Co., at 4 per cent).

At the same Convention (1876), after hearing the response from New York, as above set forth, on motion of Rev. Dr. Bostwick, it was, among other things,

*Resolved* (Journal of 1876, p. 216), that a committee of three be appointed "to settle with the Diocese of New York on the basis of the amount contributed to that (Episcopal) fund, by the people of that territory now comprised within the bounds of the Diocese of Albany; and that on the refusal of the Diocese of New York to make an adjustment on that basis, the said committee are instructed to proceed to enforce the rights of the Diocese of Albany in relation thereto," and that the Secretary send a copy of the resolutions to the Convention of the Diocese of New York.

Under the above resolution, the undersigned, a committee of three, were appointed in 1876, and were continued in office in 1877, and now beg leave to report :

That a copy of said resolutions was sent by the Secretary of this Convention to the Convention of New York, and also a letter from your committee to the Secretary of the Convention of New York (1876), asking for the appointment of a committee on the part of the old Diocese to meet your committee, with a view to a settlement of the amount on the basis named in the resolution.

That this reasonable request, made by letter to the Secretary of the Convention of New York, just *prior* to its annual meeting in September, 1876, was received and placed on file by that Convention, without further action, and therefore no authorized body or committee has been appointed by the old Diocese to act upon the subject in settlement of our claim.

That your committee have made a thorough investigation and ascertained the amount contributed to the old Episcopal Fund, under the resolution of 1787, from the territory now embraced in the Diocese of Albany, since 1816, and they find it to amount, with the interest at 6 per cent., to 1876, to the sum of \$12,173.59.

The committee have had several interviews with members of the Convention of New York on the subject, and they generally deny our right to any part of the fund; although one gentleman, a distinguished lawyer and member of the vestry of Trinity Church, frankly suggests that in order to *test* the validity of our claim to any part of the fund, and to have it decided, a case might be agreed on and submitted to the court for its decision, under the provisions of the law for such cases, without much expense or any unfriendly controversy.

The committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That your committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.



*Resolved*, That a committee of three be directed to take the necessary steps, in conjunction with a committee from the Diocese of New York, to prepare a case and present the same to the court for decision, in an amicable way, as provided by law.

JAMES FORSYTH,  
*Chairman.*

The Resolutions appended to the Report being put to vote, the first Resolution was not adopted.

The second Resolution, amended by striking out the words "a committee of three," and inserting the words "the Committee," was adopted.

The Report of the Special Committee upon the Preambles and Resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Olin, was presented and read by the Rev. Mr. Gwynne:

The Committee, to whom was referred the consideration of the Resolution in regard to the suppression of drunkenness, beg leave to report:

That they regard the Resolution in question, substantially in its original form, as moderate, judicious and timely, and that its passage at this time, by the Convention, would greatly aid the work of the Church in the Diocese, in resisting the frightful and growing evil of drunkenness; but they also think that some more definite measures than the Resolution contemplates would secure the work of combating intemperance in our Diocese from mistakes of ill-advised efforts.

They therefore offer the following Resolutions for adoption:

*Resolved*, That this Convention, while affirming that the only true temperance is temperance in all things, and that the only true Temperance Society is the Church of God, earnestly recommends to its Clergy and Laity the adoption of some such specific measures as, being in conformity with the teachings of God's Word, may tend to the suppression of drunkenness.

*Resolved*, That a Committee of seven be appointed by the Bishop, to mature and report at the next Annual Convention, some special measures in accordance with the principles of the teachings of the Church, for meeting and overcoming the present frightful evils of drunkenness.

Respectfully submitted.

R. A. OLIN,  
WALKER GWYNNE,  
GEO. S. CRAMER,  
H. R. PIERSON.

On motion of Mr. G. B. Smith, it was

*Resolved*, That the Preambles and Resolution originally introduced by the Rev. Mr. Olin be substituted for the Resolutions submitted by the Committee.

On motion, the said Preambles and Resolution were then adopted.

On motion of the Rev. W. W. Battershall, it was

*Resolved*, That the Plan of Organization of the Auxiliary Diocesan Missionary Society adopted, and the list of Officers thereof elected, at the Missionary Meeting held this afternoon, be printed as an Appendix of the Journal of this Convention.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Auxiliary Missionary Society of the Diocese be requested to make an annual report of the Society at every regular Diocesan Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Archdeacon Payne, the following Minute was unanimously adopted :

This Convention finds, with great regret, that the Rev. George C. Pennell, S.T.D., is absent from its session, and that he has removed from the Diocese. His seven years' service as Secretary of this Convention, and as in charge of the most laborious of all its Missionary fields, entitle him to the tribute of our earnest thanks. In his removal to his new field of labor, he carries with him the best wishes and the most earnest prayers of the Diocese of Albany.

*Resolved*, That an engrossed and certified copy of this Minute be sent to the Rev. Dr. Pennell.

On motion of the Rev. Robert Weeks, it was

*Resolved*, That the cordial thanks of the Convention be given to the Rev. W. C. Prout for his diligent, experienced and effective preparation for the meeting of the Convention, and for his most acceptable services as Assistant Secretary during the sessions of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison, it was

*Resolved*, That twelve hundred copies of the Journal of this Convention be printed under the direction of the Secretary.

On motion of the Secretary, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention are fully due, and are most cordially given, to the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of S. John's Church, Troy, and to the Churchmen of Troy, for the admirable provisions, amply, liberally and generously made for the Convention and its work ; and for the bounteous hospitality most courteously extended and dispensed to the members of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. G. L. Neide, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Convention be given to the Rev. H. H. Oberly, for his share in the orderly arrangement of the opening services, and the beautiful musical enrichment of the same.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison, it was

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons to prepare the necessary forms and instructions for the appointment of Lay Deputies, and matters connected with the incorporation and admission of Churches.

The Minutes of this day's proceedings were read and approved.

The Bishop briefly addressed the Convention.

The Rev. Robert Washbon said the Lord's Prayer and Collects; and the Bishop pronounced the Benediction.

On motion, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

*Mr. Coswell Ovale*

*Bishop of Albany and President of the Convention.*

*M. Pecke*

*Secretary.*

# APPENDIX.

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( A. )

## LIST OF CLERGY IN THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY.

JANUARY 1, A.D. 1878.

SAMUEL B. BOSTWICK, S.T.D., P.O. Sandy Hill, Washington county.

JOSEPH CAREY, Rector, Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county.

EDGAR T. CHAPMAN, Rector, Church of the Messiah, Greenbush, Rensselaer county, and Treasurer, Cathedral of All Saints.

WILLIAM H. COOK, Rector, St. Paul's Church, Keeseville, and Missionary, Essex county.

ALBERT DANKER, Ph.D., Rector, Emmanuel Church, Little Falls, Herkimer county.

GEORGE FISHER, Rector, Church of S. John the Evangelist, Stockport, Columbia county.

BYRON J. HALL, Rector, Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county.

WILLIAM R. JOHNSON.

JOSEPH N. MULFORD, Rector, Christ Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.

GEORGE L. NEIDE, Rector, Christ Church, Duanesburgh, Schenectady county.

GEORGE H. NICHOLLS, Rector, S. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county.

WILLIAM M. OGDEN, Rector, Church of the Holy Cross, Warrensburgh, and Missionary, Warren county.

WILLIAM PAYNE, D.D., Rector, S. George's Church, Schenectady, Schenectady county.

HEWLETT R. PETERS, D.D., P.O. Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county.

EDWARD PIDSLEY.

J. LIVINGSTON REESE, D.D., Rector, S. Paul's Church, Albany, Albany county.

WILLIAM A. RICH, Missionary, Cranberry Lake, St. Lawrence county.

WILLIAM S. ROWE.

EDWIN B. RUSSELL, Rector, S. John's Church, Delhi, Delaware county.

DAVID L. SCHWARTZ, Rector, Grace Church, Albany, Albany county.

EDWARD SELKIRK, Rector, Trinity Church, Albany, Albany county.

JOHN IRELAND TUCKER, S.T.D., Pastor, Church of the Holy Cross, and Principal of the Warren Free Institute, Troy, Rensselaer county.

ROBERT WASHBON, Rector, Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, and Missionary, Berne and Westerlo, Albany county.

**ROBERT WEEKS**, Rector, S. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county.

**JAMES WILKINS STEWART**, Rector, Trinity Church, Athens, and Missionary, Greene county.

**ALFRED HOUGHTON STUBBS**, Rector, S. John's Church, Stillwater, S. Luke's Church, Mechanicville, Saratoga county.

**E. N. POTTER**, D.D., President of Union College, Schenectady, Schenectady county.

**WILLIAM BOBERT WALKER**, Rector, Christ Church, Herkimer, Herkimer county.

**CHARLES H. LANCASTER**, Rector, S. James' Church, Caldwell, and Missionary to Bolton and French Mountain, Warren county.

**HENRY H. OBERLY**, Rector, Trinity Church, West Troy, Albany county.

**FENWICK M. COOKSON**, Rector, S. James' Church, Fort Edward, Washington county.

**J. HUTCHINGS BROWN**, Chaplain U. S. N.

**JAMES E. HALL**, Rector, Trinity Church, Whitehall, Washington county.

**WILLIAM C. PROUT**, Priest in charge of S. Paul's Free Chapel, Troy, Rensselaer county.

**JOSHUA N. T. GOSS**, Rector, S. John's Church, Massena, and Missionary, S. James' Church, Hogansburgh, and Barnhardt's Island, St. Lawrence county.

**JAMES CAIRD**, Rector, Free Church of the Ascension, Troy, Rensselaer county.

**J. D. MORRISON**, Rector, S. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county.

**HENRY R. HOWARD**, Rector, Trinity Church, Potsdam, St. Lawrence county.

**J. W. MCILWAINE**, Chaplain, Clinton Prison, Clinton county.

**REGINALD H. BARNES**, Rector, Calvary Church, Burnt Hills, Saratoga county.

**WALKER GWYNNE**, Rector, S. John's Church, Cohoes, Albany county.

**EDWARD N. GODDARD**, Rector, Trinity Church, Fairfield, Grace Church, Norway, and Missionary, Church of the Memorial, Middletown, Herkimer county.

**ERASTUS WEBSTER**, Missionary, Christ Church, Greenville, and S. Paul's Church, Oakhill, Greene county.

**CHARLES FAY**, D.D., Grand Isle, Vermont.

**HENRY C. HUTCHINGS**, Missionary, Trinity Church, Windham (in Ashland), and Grace Church, Prattsville, Greene county.

**HOBART COOKE**, Rector, Zion Church, Morris, Otsego county.

**WILLIAM R. WOODBRIDGE**, Rector, Christ Church, Port Henry, and Missionary, Emmanuel Mission, Mineville, Essex county.

**EDWARD F. BAKER**, Rector, S. Paul's Church, East Springfield, and Missionary, Otsego county.

**JOHN B. PITMAN**, Rector, S. Mark's Church, Malone, Franklin county.

**JOHN H. HOUGHTON**, Rector, S. Paul's Church, Salem, and Missionary, Washington county.

**EDWARD M. PECKE**, Rector, S. John's Church, Richfield Springs, and Missionary, Otsego county.

**JAMES H. SMITH**, Rector, S. John's Church, Portlandville, and Missionary, Otsego county.

**RUSSELL A. OLIN**, Rector, Church of the Messiah, Glens Falls, and Missionary, Warren county.

**SAMUEL E. SMITH**, Rector, Church of the Holy Innocents, Albany, Albany county.

**FRANCIS HARISON**, S.T.D., Rector, S. Paul's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.

**ROBERT B. VAN KLEECK, JR.**

**ROBERT T. S. LOWELL**, D.D., Professor of Latin Language and Literature, Union College, Schenectady, Schenectady county.

**WILLIAM CHARLES GRUBBE**, Rector, S. Paul's Church, Franklin, Delaware county, Immanuel Church, Otego, and Missionary, Otsego county.

WALTER DELAFIELD, Rector, Christ Church, Ballston Spa, Saratoga county.

WALTON W. BATTERSHALL, Rector, S. Peter's Church, Albany, Albany county.

THEODORE A. SNYDER, Missionary, S. Timothy's Church, Westford, Otsego county.

MOSES E. WILSON, Rector, S. Luke's Church, Clermont, and Missionary, Columbia county.

JOSEPH HOOPER, Missionary, Church of Our Saviour, Lebanon Springs, Trinity Church, Claverack and Chatham, Columbia county.

R. JULIUS ADLER, Rector, S. Mark's Church, Green Island, Albany county.

HENRY M. SMYTH, Rector, Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, and Missionary, S. John's Church, Salmon River, Clinton county.

T. G. CLEMON, Rector, S. Paul's Church, Waddington, and Missionary, St. Lawrence county.

WALTER THOMPSON, Rector, Grace Church, Waterford, Saratoga county.

JOHN H. ROGERS, Rector, Christ Church, Schenectady, Schenectady county.

JOHN B. COLHOUN, Rector, S. James' Church, Oneonta, and Missionary, Otsego county.

GEORGE W. DEAN, S.T.D., Rector, S. Stephen's Church, Schuylerville, and Missionary, Saratoga county.

RICHARD HARDING.

CHARLES C. EDMUNDS, Rector, S. John's Church, Johnstown, Fulton county.

FRANCIS A. SHOUP.

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ROBERT G. HAMILTON, Rector, Trinity Church, Schaghticoke (Hart's Falls), and Missionary, Rensselaer county.

FRANK SMITH, Assistant Minister, S. Peter's Church, Albany, Albany county.

CHARLES PELLETREAU, Rector, S. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, Otsego county.

WILLIAM MASON COOK, Rector, S. Peter's Church, Brush's Mills, and Missionary, S. Thomas' Church, Lawrenceville, S. Mark's Church, West Bangor, Franklin county.

RICHARD TEMPLE, Rector, Free Church of the Epiphany, Greenbush, Rensselaer county.

ROBERT E. TERRY, Rector, Christ Church, Hudson, and in charge of All Saints' Chapel, Hudson, and S. John's Church, Copake, Columbia county.

EDWIN COAN, Precentor, Cathedral of All Saints, Chaplain of S. Agnes School, Albany.

J. R. L. NISBETT, Assistant Minister, Trinity Church, Potsdam, St. Lawrence county.

J. W. H. WEIBEL, Rector, S. Luke's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.

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JAMES HAUGHTON, Canon, Dean, Cathedral of All Saints, Albany.

WILLIAM W. LORD, D.D., Rector, Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county.

J. WILLIAM PAIGE, Missionary, Trinity Chapel, Sharon Springs, Schoharie county.

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**CHARLES S. OLMSTED**, Missionary, Trinity Chapel, Morley, St. Lawrence county.

**REEVE HOBBS**, Rector, Grace Church, Cherry Valley, Otsego county.

**CHARLES H. VANDYNE**, Missionary, Zion Church, Fonda, Church of the Good Shepherd, Canajoharie, and Church of the Holy Cross, Fort Plain, Montgomery county.

**ERNEST A. HARTMAN**, Assistant Minister, Zion Church, Morris, Christ Church, Butternuts, and Christ Church, West Burlington, Otsego county.

**HERBERT C. MILLER**, Rector, Trinity Church, Gouverneur, St. Lawrence county.

**WILLIAM H. PHILLIPS**, Rector, Christ Church, Morristown, St. Lawrence county.

**RICHARD C. SEARING**, Rector, Christ Church, Walton, and Missionary, Delaware county.

**JOHN T. PEARCE**, Rector, Grace Church, Canton, St. Lawrence county.

**CHARLES S. KNAPP**, Missionary, S. James' Church, Ausable Forks, Clinton county, and the Church of S. John in the Wilderness, St. Regis Lake, Franklin county.

**GEORGE C. GRISWOLD**, Assistant Minister, S. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county.

**AUGUSTUS PRIME**, Missionary, Warren county.

### DEACONS.

**JOHN B. TIBBITTS**, Officiating, S. Mary's Church, Hoosick, Rensselaer county.

**ALEXANDER McMILLAN, JR.**, General Theological Seminary, New York.

**NEWTON DEXTER**, Officiating Minister, S. Paul's Church, Kinderhook, Columbia county, Canon, Cathedral of All Saints.

**WILLIAM B. REYNOLDS**, Assistant Minister, Church of S. John the Evangelist, Stockport, Columbia county.

**JOHN D. SKENE**, Assistant Minister, S. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county.

**CHARLES EDWARD CRAGG**, Assistant Minister, Christ Church, Port Henry, Essex county.

**WILLIAM M. PICKSLAY**, Assistant Minister, S. Paul's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.

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**ROBERT GRANGER**, Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, Connecticut.

**CHARLES T. WHITTEMORE**, Rector, Zion Church, Sandy Hill, Washington county.

I hereby certify the above list to be a correct list of the Clergy resident in the Diocese of Albany.

*Wm. Coswell Doane*

*Bishop of Albany.*

*January 15th, A.D. 1878.*



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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

## ALBANY COUNTY.

## CATHEDRAL OF ALL SAINTS, ALBANY.

## CHAPTER.

Dean. Rev. James Haughton.

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Lay Reader. S. S. Fine.

Teacher of Cathedral Choir School. George S. Coleman.

*Parochial.*

Families, 102 ; Baptisms (Adults 6, Infants, 35), 41 ; Confirmed, 37 ; Burials, 6 ; Marriages, 2 ; Churching, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 168, Holy Days, 75, other days, 753), 996 ; Holy Communion, public, 129 ; Communicants, last reported, 201, present number, 233, with 82 of St. Agnes School, 315 ; Sunday School, teachers, 15, pupils, 110 ; boys in Choir School, 24 ; in S. Agnes School, teachers, 22, pupils, 201.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, and Current Expenses including Salaries, \$9,193.93 ; Sunday School, \$116 ; Other Parochial objects, \$339.72. Total, \$9,649.65.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$1,268.83 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$150 ; Diocesan Fund, \$75 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$5 ; the Child's Hospital, \$213.13. Total, \$1,716.96.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$75.25 ; Foreign Missions, \$59.53. Total, \$134.78.  
Total Amount of Offerings, \$11,501.39.

## S. PETER'S CHURCH, ALBANY.

Rector. Rev. Walton W. Battershall.

Assistant. Rev. Frank Smith.

Wardens. Harmon Pumpelly, John Tayler Cooper.

Vestrymen. James Kidd, Henry R. Pierson, George S. Weaver, John S. Perry, Grenville Tremain, Joseph W. Tillinghast, Albert C. Judson, Henry T. Martin.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 8, Infants, 23), 31 ; Confirmed, 30 ; Burials, 13 ; Public Services (Sundays, 106, Holy Days, 34, other days, 210), 350 ; Holy Communion (public, 46, private, 9), 55 ; Communicants, last reported, 352, admitted, 30, received, 29, died, 4, removed, 5, present number, 402 ; Sunday School, teachers, 40, pupils, 280 ; Parish School, teachers, 6, pupils, 25.

*Parochial Reports.**Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$889.04 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$12,297.59 ; Sunday School, \$226.53 ; Home for Orphans, \$1,487.37 ; Debt on Parish House, \$1,003.25 ; S. Peter's Industrial Society, \$291.63 ; Christmas decorations and tree, \$312.36 ; Gift to Clergy, \$200. Total, \$16,707.77.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$673.26 ; Salary of Bishop, \$150 ; Diocesan Fund, \$120 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$40 ; the Child's Hospital, \$82.80 ; Babies' Nursery, \$70 ; Children's Aid Society, \$70. Total, \$1,206.06.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$206.72 ; Domestic Missions (Oregon), \$174.77 ; Foreign Missions, \$100.57 ; Indian Missions, \$172.57 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$55.06 ; S. Luke's Church, Washington, \$25 ; Divinity School, Nebraska City, \$10 ; S. Mark's School, Utah, \$40 ; Nashotah, Wisconsin, \$25 ; Faribault, Minnesota, \$25. Total, \$834.69.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$18,748.52.

Amount of Salary pledged the Rector, \$4,000 ; Assistant Minister, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 850.

**S. PAUL'S CHURCH, ALBANY.**

Rector. Rev. J. Livingston Reese, D.D.

Assistant. Rev. Frederic O. Granniss.

Wardens. J. H. Van Antwerp, Jas. Osborne.

Vestrymen. Wm. Lacy, Matthew W. Bender, A. P. Palmer, L. Bew, Wm. H. Hill, John Woodward, Charles S. Fairchild, George P. Wilson.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 25, Infants, 80), 105 ; Confirmed, 48 ; Burials, 38 ; Marriages, 13 ; Communicants, last reported. 504, admitted, 46, received, 25, died, 17, removed, 38, present number, 520 ; Sunday School, teachers, 87, pupils, 660 ; Catechising, Children Catechised every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial—Alms at Holy Communion, and Offerings for the Poor, \$750.00 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$8,250 ; Sunday School, \$325.00 ; Mission Chapel, \$2,050.00 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, and other Parochial Objects, \$2,350.24. Total, \$13,725.24.

Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$302.00 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$100.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$87.50 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$19.28 ; the Child's Hospital, \$34.00 ; Theological Education, \$50.00 ; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$410.00. Total, \$1,002.38.

General—Domestic Missions, \$314.52 ; Foreign Missions, \$1,209.39 ; Indian Missions, \$140.00 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$20.58 ; Debt of Mission Board, \$229.97 ; Church Mission for Deaf Mutes, \$57.76 ; other objects, \$450.00. Total, \$2,422.22.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$17,150.24.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, COHOES.**

Rector. Rev. Walker Gwynne.

Wardens. Wm. N. Chadwick, Wm. E. Thorn.

Vestrymen. Murray Hubbard, Wm. S. Smith, Geo. Campbell, Joseph Chadwick, Michael Andrae, Samuel Horrocks, Robert Weir, Reuben Lee.

*Parochial.*

Families, 320 ; Individuals (Adults, 800, Children, 500), 1,300 ; Baptisms (Adults, 8, Infants, 54), 62 ; Confirmed, 49 ; Burials, 19 ; Marriages, 17 ; Churchings, 3 ;

Public Services, (Sundays, 182, Holy Days, 14, other days, 485), 681; Holy Communion (public, 72, private, 12), 84; Communicants, last reported, 419, Sunday School, teachers and officers, 30, pupils, 383; Catechising, number of children, 383, number of times, 52.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$134.13; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$4,053.01; Sunday School, \$235.00; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$527.87. Total, \$4,950.01.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$250.00; Salary of the Bishop, \$151.00; Diocesan Fund, \$54.00; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$5.00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$12.50; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$4.00; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$19.00; The Child's Hospital, \$8.00; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$18.00; Theological Education, \$9.50. Total, \$531.00.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$26.00; Foreign Missions, \$10.10; Indian Missions, \$8.00; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$15.00. Total, \$59.10.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$5,540.11.

*Indebtedness.*

Mortgage for \$15,000.00.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 900, all free

*Remarks.*

In addition to the above, a box of clothing has been sent to the Orphan House valued at \$50.00.

**TRINITY CHURCH, WEST TROY.**

Rector. Rev. H. H. Oberly.

Wardens. James Roy, Peter V. Hagner.

Vestrymen. William Hollands, Thomas Rath, John H. Hulsapple, Silas Betts, William Doring, Benjamin D. Judson, Joseph McQuide, Frank A. Witbeck.

*Parochial.*

Families, 200; Individuals (Adults, 423, Children, 358), 781; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 41), 42; Confirmed, 12; Burials, 16; Marriages, 8; Churchings, 2; Public Services (the public services were held as follows: in the Parish Church, 314; in S. Gabriel's Chapel, 118; in S. Andrew's Mission, 97), Sundays, 280; Holy Days, 88, other days, 161; (by the Rector, 365, by other Clergy and Lay Readers, 164) 529; Holy Communion (public (12 at S. Gabriel's), 43, private, 2), 45; Communicants, last reported, 224, admitted, 11, received, 14, died, 5, removed, 22, present number, 222; Sunday Schools at Trinity, S. Gabriel's and S. Andrew's, teachers and officers, 43, pupils, 250; Catechising, every Sunday in each school by either the Rector or Superintendent. The Rector visits one school every Sunday at least.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$149.76; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,549.30; For the Sunday Schools (for expenses), \$121.84; By the Sunday Schools (for expenses), \$152.28; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$26.50; Debt on S. Gabriel's Chapel, \$362.04 (\$93.29 of this from S. Gabriel's S. School); Other Parochial Objects, \$93.44. Total, \$3,455.16.

Diocesan—Diocesan Missions (\$7.53 from S. Schools), \$129.84; Salary of the Bishop, \$32; Diocesan Fund, \$24; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$5.06; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10.34; Fund for Widows and Orphans of

Clergymen, \$7; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$6.60; The Child's Hospital (from the Sunday Schools), \$13.54; Candidates for the Ministry, \$10.71; Debt on the Bishop's house, \$31. Total, \$270.09.

General.—Berkeley Divinity School, \$5; Domestic Missions (\$7.79 from S. Schools), \$10.29; Foreign Missions, \$8; Indian Missions, \$13.15; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$8.89; Southern Missions, \$20; Mission to the Jews, \$4.65. Total, \$69.98.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,795.23.

#### *Indebtedness.*

Mortgage on S. Gabriel's Chapel, \$950; mortgage on school-house, \$1,000. Total, \$1,950.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, about 400, rented and free; Number of Sitzings in S. Gabriel's Chapel, 150, free; Number of Sitzings in S. Andrew's Mission, 100, free.

#### *Remarks.*

On Sexagesima Sunday, Feb. 4, 1877, I formally opened S. Andrew's mission, in the Fourth ward. It was with a glad heart that I seized the opportunity to begin this work, so long needing to be done. The success of the mission has surpassed my expectations. The results are due, under God, to the earnest labors of the lay people, especially the Reader and his assistants. I wish here to acknowledge the courtesy and kindness of my clerical neighbors in aiding me with this work. Without their help, not one-half of what has been done could have been accomplished. The Sunday school at S. Gabriel's has already outgrown the new Chapel; from which statement, it may be seen that the interest is unabated. One of the two mortgages on the Chapel has been paid. In the whole parish there is peace and harmony, with increasing interest, and larger almsgiving than heretofore. The various Guilds (Holy Trinity for men, S. Agnes for women, S. Catharine's for children) afford opportunities for much earnest work.

#### TRINITY CHURCH, ALBANY.

Rector. Rev. Edward Selkirk.

Wardens. William Little, George Cummings.

Vestrymen. John Pritchard, William Grey, J. A. Yale, G. F. Granger, John A. Howe, Richard Norris, C. E. Fairchild, Wm. H. Keeler.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 100; Individuals (Adults, 250, Children, 250), 500; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 23), 25; Confirmed, 21; Burials, 19; Marriages, 30; Public Services, (Sundays, 100, Holy Days, 6, other days, 40), 146; Holy Communion (public, 12, private, 3), 15; Communicants, last reported, 169, admitted, 25, received, 6, died, 10, removed, 15, present number, 175; Sunday School, teachers, librarians, etc., 23, pupils, 150; Catechising, number of children, 150, number of times, 50.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$21.08; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$933.45; Sunday School, \$50.00. Total, \$1,004.53.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$12.21; Salary of the Bishop, \$20.00; Diocesan Fund, \$10.00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$3.32; The Child's Hospital, \$5.00. Total, \$50.53.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,055.06.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 500; we rent what we can, and the rest are free.

GRACE CHURCH, ALBANY.

Rector. Rev. D. L. Schwartz.

Wardens. Charles W. White, John Jones.

Vestrymen. Francis Freckleton, B. F. Hinman, James Kirtland, William Clark, Ambrose Pettefer, Wm. P. Bonsall, Thomas Penny, Charles Stanley.

*Parochial.*

Families, 240 ; Baptisms, Infants, 29 ; Confirmed, 12 ; Burials, 16 ; Marriages, 8 ; Public Services, Sundays, twice, Holy Days, once, other days, once, twice in Lent ; Holy Communion, public, twice a month and on every high festival, private, 4 ; Communicants, last reported, 220, admitted, 10, received, 6, died, 5, removed, 3, present number, 227 ; Sunday School, teachers, 29, pupils, 225.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses including Salaries, \$2,351 ; Sunday School, \$400. Total, \$2,931.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$5.45 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$24 ; Diocesan Fund, \$25 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$6 ; The Child's Hospital, \$11. Total, \$71.45.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,002.45.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, ALBANY.

Rector. Rev. Samuel E. Smith.

Wardens. Wm. Mason, Sr., S. M. Van Santvoord.

Vestrymen. S. Rork, C. Palmer, G. H. Birchall, J. Rathbun, H. A. Goffe, L. L. Derby, Thos. H. Wills, James A. Pratt.

*Parochial.*

Families, 64 ; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 26), 32 ; Confirmed, 15 ; Burials, 16 ; Marriages, 5 ; Public Services (Sundays, 112, Holy Days, 8, other days, 38), 158 ; Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 10), 28 ; Communicants, last reported, 167, admitted, 15, received, 5, died, 4, removed, 12, present number, 171 ; Sunday School, teachers, 17, pupils, 150 ; Catechising, number of times, 10.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$74.16 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,857.12 ; Sunday School, \$265. Total, \$3,196.28.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$51.64 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$30 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$2 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$13.13 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$12 ; The Child's Hospital, \$32.50. Total, \$141.27.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$52 ; Foreign Missions, \$2 ; Indian Missions, \$61.67 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$3. Total, \$118.67.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,456.22.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300, all free.

CLINTON COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, PLATTSBURGH.

Rector. Rev. Henry Mason Smyth.

Wardens. Frederick L. C. Saily, Joseph R. Emerson.

Vestrymen. George F. Nichols, William S. Ketchum, John W. Lynde, Henry Orvis, Bernard Young, William H. Bailey, Frederick C. Norton, John M. Wever.

*Parochial.*

Individuals, 639; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 9), 12; Confirmed, 18; Burials, 14; Marriages, 4; Public Services (Sundays, 87; Holy Days, 35; other days, 111), 233; Holy Communion (public, 15; private, 9), 24; Communicants, last reported, 278, admitted, 16, received, 15, died, 9, removed, 14, present number, 286; Sunday School, teachers, 10; pupils, 106; Catechising, number of times, 19.

*Offerings.*

Parochial—Alms at Holy Communion, \$8.48; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,297.37; Sunday School, \$22.25; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$373.59; Sunday School books, \$10.21; Old debts, \$250. Total, \$1,961.90.

Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$26.53; Salary of the Bishop, \$50; Diocesan Fund, \$36; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$3.02; Increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$1; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$9.19; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$1; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$1; The Child's Hospital, \$5; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$1; Convocation of Ogdensburgh, \$4. Total, \$137.74.

General—Domestic Missions, \$1; Foreign Missions, \$1; Indian Missions, \$1; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$1; Other Objects Exterior to the Diocese, \$2. Total, \$6.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,105.64.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 600, all free.

*Remarks.*

This parish was without a Rector up to March 23d, at which time the present Rector entered upon his duties.

## CHRIST CHURCH, ROUSES POINT.

Rector. Rev. George C. Pennell, S.T.D.

Wardens. D. White, George Standage.

Vestrymen. William T. Crook, John Thompson, John Phillips, L. C. Dodge, M.D., A. B. Chapman.

*Parochial.*

Families, 53; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 16), 22; Confirmed, 9; Burials, 10; Marriages, 3; Public Services (Sundays, 102, Holy Days, 32, other days, 17), 151; Holy Communion (public, 27, private, 8), 35; Communicants, admitted, 10, died, 4, removed, 12, present number, 99; Sunday School, teachers, 13, pupils, 56; Catechising, number of children, 47, number of times, 16; Parish School, teachers, 3, pupils, 33.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$42.63; Current Expenses, including Salaries \$1,626.55; Sunday School, \$108.29; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$76; The Rector's Ladies' Aid Association, \$257.39. Total, \$2,110.86.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$68.92; Salary of the Bishop, \$16; The Child's Hospital, \$36. Total, \$120.92.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,231.78.

Indebtedness, \$800.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250, one-half rented, one-half free.

## S. JOHN'S CHURCH, CHAMPLAIN.

Rector. Rev. George C. Pennell, S.T.D.

Wardens. D. Finley, S. A. Kellogg.

Vestrymen. George H. Burroughs, J. Goulding Smith, James Forbes, James Averill, jr., Henry Durham.

*Parochial.*

Families, 26 ; Baptisms, Infants, 4 ; Confirmed, 1 ; Burial, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 59, Holy Days, 74, other days, 2), 135 ; Holy Communion, public, 9 ; Communicants, last reported, 35, admitted, 2, received, 3, removed, 3, present number, 37 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 22 ; Catechising, number of children, 20, number of times, 10.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$11.02 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$333.16 ; Sunday School, \$15.27 ; Ladies' Aid Association, \$244.95. Total, \$604.40.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$13.64 ; The Child's Hospital, \$6. Total, \$19.64.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$624.04.

Indebtedness, \$475.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250, free.

**S. PAUL'S MISSION, MOOER'S FORKS.**

Rector. Rev. George C. Pennell, S.T.D.

Warden. William Tomlinson.

*Parochial.*

Families, 12 ; Baptisms, Infants, 4 ; Public Services (Sundays, 7, Holy Days, 2, other day, 1), 10 ; Holy Communion, public, 4 ; Communicants, last reported, 14, died, 9, present number, 5.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2.67.

**S. PETER'S MISSION, ELLENBURGH.**

Rector. Rev. George C. Pennell, S.T.D.

Warden. George Higgins.

*Parochial.*

Families, 13 ; Baptisms (Adult, 1, Infants, 3), 4 ; Burial, 1 ; Public Services, Sundays, 11 ; Holy Communion, public, 4 ; Communicants, last reported, 13, died, 1, present number, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$15.75.

**S. LUKE'S MISSION, CHAZY.**

Warden. Charles M. North.

*Parochial.*

Families, 9 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 1), 2 ; Public Services, Sundays, 13 ; Holy Communion, public, 4 ; Communicants, last reported, 13, admitted, 1, removed, 1, present number, 13.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$20.75.

**COLUMBIA COUNTY.**

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST'S CHURCH, STOCKPORT.**

Rector. Rev. George Fisher.

Deacon Assisting. Rev. Wm. Benjamin Reynolds.

Wardens. Gideon Lathrop (deceased), Thomas H. James.

Vestrymen. Charles H. Stott, Frank H. Stott, William F. Butler, jr., John McGargle, Gordon B. Reynolds, Frank M. Snyder, James Hyde, Wm. H. VandeCarr.



*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, about 300, Children, 300), 600 ; Baptisms (Adults, 8, Infants, 23), 31 ; Confirmed, 33 ; Burials, 8 ; Marriages, 11 ; Public Services (Sundays, 126, Holy Days, 22, other days, 31), 179 ; Holy Communion (public, 36, private, 6), 42 ; Communicants, last reported, 152, admitted, 31, received, 3, died, 2, removed, 5, present number, 179 ; Sunday School, teachers, 40, pupils, 300 ; Catechising, number of children, 200, number of times, 28 ; Parish School, teachers, 2, pupils, 15.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$73.47 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,474.12 ; Sunday School (not including Christmas trees) \$62.33 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property (repairs), \$472.04. Total, \$2,081.96.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$200 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$56 ; Diocesan Fund, \$30 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$28 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$6 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$5.19 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$76 ; The Child's Hospital, \$37.35 ; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$10. Total, \$448.54.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$37.50 ; Foreign Missions, \$20 ; Indian Missions, \$15 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$15 ; General Missions Debt, \$30 ; Bishop Whipple's work, \$10 ; Mission to Jews, \$5.60. Total, \$133.10.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,663.60.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300 ; Number of Sitzings in the Chapel, 200 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

The above report includes the work of S. Barnabas' Chapel, at Stottville. Service is held there every Sunday afternoon, and the Holy Communion celebrated monthly. The Sunday school is also large and prosperous. The chapel has been enlarged during the year, and is still too small. The ladies of the parish have continued their good work by painting the church and erecting a new fence around the Rectory property.

The Rev. Mr. Reynolds has this year, also, freely given his services, to the great relief of the Rector. The parish has met a great loss in the death of the senior Warden, Capt. G. Lathrop.

**S. PAUL'S CHURCH, KINDERHOOK.**

Rev. Newton Dexter, officiating.

Wardens. James Mitchell, Henry S. Wynkoop.

Vestrymen. Francis Silvester, Isaac V. A. Snyder, Aaron J. Vanderpoel, Edward P. Van Alstyne, Augustus W. Wynkoop, Elbridge G. Howard, George H. Taylor, C. H. Housman.

*Parochial.*

Families, 44 ; Individuals, 100 ; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 4), 7 ; Confirmed, 10 ; Burials, 6 ; Marriage, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days and other days, 62), 166 ; Holy Communion, public, 20 ; Communicants, last reported, 53, present number, 72 ; Sunday Schools, teachers, 12, pupils, 63.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,335.94 ; Sunday School, \$27 ; Parish School, \$381.04. Total, \$1,743.98.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$234.61 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$26 ; Diocesan Fund, \$30 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$27. Total, \$317.61.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$28.10 ; Foreign Missions, \$21.53 ; Indian Missions, \$31.96. Total, \$81.59.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,143.18.

*Indebtedness.*

Mortgage on Rectory and lot, \$500.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, free.

TRINITY CHURCH, CLAVERACK.

Priest and Missionary. Rev. Joseph Hooker.

Wardens. Wm. H. Adams, Horatio G. Adams.

Vestrymen. Jas. J. Studley, Fulton Ludlow, Wm. A. Tiffany, Frank J. Studley.

*Parochial.*

Families, 16 ; Individuals (Adults, 25, Children, 35), 60 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 6), 7 ; Confirmed, 2 ; Public Services (Sundays, 40, Holy Days, 9, other days, 30), 79 ; Holy Communion (public, 52, private, 1), 53 ; Communicants, last reported, 30, admitted, 1, received, 3, present number, 34 ; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 35 ; Catechising, number of children, 35, number of times, 25.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$268.68 ; Sunday School, \$19.50 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$35. Total, \$323.18.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$25 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6. Total, \$31.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$354.18.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 110, rented.

*Remarks.*

The Rev. E. A. Hartman was in charge of the parish from January to October, 1877, when the present incumbent assumed it. The parish is in a fair condition, and there are signs of spiritual growth.

S. LUKE'S CHURCH, CLERMONT.

Rector. Rev. Moses E. Wilson.

Trustees. W. H. Wilson, Robert Dibblee, Harold Wilson, E. L. Tinklepaugh, G. Z. Foland, W. C. Doane, M. E. Wilson.

*Parochial.*

Baptism, Adult, 1 ; Burial, 1 ; Marriage, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 50, Holy Days, 7), 57 ; Holy Communion, public, 10 ; Communicants, removed, 2, present number, 16 ; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 16.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.61 ; Sunday School, \$4 ; Parochial Objects, \$17.36. Total, \$34.97.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$20 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6. Total, \$26.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$60.97.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LEBANON SPRINGS, AND CHATHAM MISSION.

Priest and Missionary. Rev. Joseph Hooper.

Wardens. Silas G. Owen, Wm. H. Babcock.

Vestrymen. John G. Field, Hampton C. Bull, Esek C. King, Francis Myers, E. T. Tanner.

*Parochial.*

Families, 50 ; Individuals (Adults, 80, Children, 30), 110 ; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 7), 9 ; Confirmed, 4 ; Burials, 7 ; Marriages, 2 ; Public Services (Sundays, 120, Holy Days, 15, other days, 52), 187 ; Holy Communion (public 25, private, 2), 27 ; Communicants, last reported, 63, admitted, 3, received, 4, died, 1, present number, 69 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 25.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$393.08 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$140. Total, \$533.08.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$6.06 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.50 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$4.50. Total, \$11.06.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$544 14.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$400.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, Lebanon Springs, 80 ; Number of Sitzings in the Chapel, Chatham, 75 ; free.

*Remarks.*

Regular services have been maintained at each Station during the year. There is prospect of growth both at Lebanon and Chatham. A new church building is in contemplation at Lebanon. A good cabinet organ has been purchased during the year.

## DELAWARE COUNTY.

## S. PETER'S CHURCH, HOBART.

Rector. F. Duncan Jaudon.

Wardens. John Hanford, Peter Kilpatrick.

Vestrymen. Samuel H. Taylor, Edmund B. Taylor, Alfus Rollins, Andrew T. Wilcox, Fred. S. Foote, Charles Stewart, Alex. H. Grant, John W. Griffin.

*Parochial.*

Families, 56 ; Individuals (Adults, 145, Children, 60), 205 ; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 2), 8 ; Confirmed, 6 ; Burials, 4 ; Marriage, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 47, Holy Days, 6, other days, 53), 106 ; Holy Communion (public, 15, private, 3), 18 ; Communicants, last reported, 102, admitted, 10, received, 2, died, 1, removed, 1, present number, 112 ; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 110 ; Catechising, number of children, average, 80, number of times, 8.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$41.15 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$689.57 ; Sunday School, \$22.10. Total, \$752.82.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$33.75 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12 ; Diocesan Fund, \$18 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$7.56 ; The Child's Hospital, \$3.74. Total, \$75.05.

General.—Foreign Missions, \$4.14 ; Relief Fund, Board of Missions, \$3.45. Total, \$7.59.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$835.46.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$600.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, all rented.

## S. JOHN'S CHURCH, DELHI.

Rector. Rev. Edwin B. Russell.

Wardens. John W. Woodruff, A. C. Edgerton.

Vestrymen. Green Moore, O. S. Hatfield, O. W. Smith, R. P. Cormack, F. L. Norton, J. H. McIntosh, S. E. Smith, E. T. Gerry.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 7, Infants, 9), 16 ; Confirmed, 13 ; Burials, 12 ; Marriages, 6 ; Public Services (Sundays, 102, Holy Days, 20, other days, 52), 174 ; Holy Communion, public, 31 ; Communicants, admitted, 13, died, 2, removed, 15, present number, 220 ; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 80 ; Catechising regularly.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$15; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,053.78; Sunday School, \$31.19; Sunday School, Delhi Scholarship (Bishop Tuttle's school), \$40; Insurance, \$33; paid on note, \$100; Altar Society, \$25. Total, \$2,297.97.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$129.89; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Diocesan Fund, \$36; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$10; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$7.64; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$32.63; Convocation Expenses, \$13.78. Total, \$259.94.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$19.44; Bishop Tuttle, \$33.18. Total, \$52.62.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,610.53.

*Indebtedness.*

Note, \$800.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 380; number rented, 70 pews; number free, 6 pews.

**CHRIST CHURCH, WALTON.**

Rector. Rev. Richard C. Searing.

Wardens. David H. Gay, George St. John.

Vestrymen. S. H. St. John, Edwin Guild, Frederick A. Brisack, Samuel B. Merwin, James D. Rogers, George C. Seeley, John S. Eells, Julius W. St. John.

*Parochial.*

Families, 72; Individuals (Adults, 180, Children, 85), 265; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 3), 4; Confirmed, 5; Burials, 5; Marriages, 2; Public Services (Sundays, 97, Holy Days, 26, other days, 32), 155; Holy Communion (public, 12, private, 1), 13; Communicants, last reported, 102, admitted, 5, received, 1, died, 2, removed, 2, present number, 104; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 80; Catechising, number of children, 60, number of times, 1.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$15.63; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$826.25; Sunday School, \$21.26; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$386.12. Total, \$1,249.26.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$48.50; Salary of the Bishop, \$30.00; Diocesan Fund, \$15.00; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$2.00; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$4.25; The Child's Hospital, \$13.00; Convocation of the Susquehanna, \$4.50. Total, \$117.25.

**General.**—Board of Missions, Relief Fund, \$5.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,371.51.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 225; number rented, 175; number free, 50.

**S. PAUL'S CHURCH, FRANKLIN.**

Rector. Rev. William Charles Grubbe.

Wardens. Henry S. Edwards, Alfred Rathbun.

Vestrymen. Benjamin T. Cooke, Andrew T. Treadwell, Eli P. Howe, Waldo Collett, Stephen M. Betts, Milton Bostwick.

*Parochial.*

Families, 44; Individuals (Adults, 118, Children, 28), 146; Baptisms, Infants, 2; Burials, 3; Public Services (Sundays, 49, Holy Days, 10, other days, 1), 60; Holy Communion, public, 27; Communicants, last reported, 70, admitted, 1, received, died, 1, removed, 7, present number, 64.

*Parochial Reports.**Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.62 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$440.56 ; Church furnace, \$30. Total, \$484.18.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$21.28; Salary of the Bishop, \$26 ; Diocesan Fund, \$15 ; Convocation of the Susquehanna, 69c. Total, \$62.97.

General.—Church Mission to the Jews, \$1.25.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$548.40.

Indebtedness, on furnace, about \$72.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500, and use of Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300, free.

## CHRIST CHURCH, DEPOSIT.

Missionary. Rev. Richard C. Searing.

Wardens. Daniel N. Walling, Titus Bixby.

Vestrymen. Wm. H. Gregory, Isaac Burrows.

*Parochial.*

Families, 26 ; Individuals (Adults, 52, Children, 36), 88 ; Baptism, Infant, 1 ; Burial, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 5, Holy Days, 2, other days, 9), 16 ; Communicants, last reported, 41, admitted, 1, received, 1, removed, 7, present number, 36.

*Remarks.*

But a partial report can be made of the condition of Christ Church Parish, Deposit, as it has been without a Rector for over two years. Lay services were read on four Sundays, by Messrs. D. N. Walling and Asher C. Moses. Other services have been held by Rev. George A. Chambers, of Callicoon (one on Sunday, and one on a week day) ; Rev. S. G. Lines, of Binghamton, twice ; Rev. E. B. Russell, of Delhi, once, and Rev. R. C. Searing, seven times, all on week days, though two of the latter were on Holy Days. Rev. Reeve Hobbie held a week of service in 1876, and baptized two adults and fourteen children.

## ESSEX COUNTY.

## CHURCH OF THE CROSS, TICONDEROGA.

Rector. Rev. — — —.

Warden. Henry C. Burnet.

Vestrymen. William G. Baldwin, Brackett W. Burleigh, Charles H. Baldwin, Frederic W. Calkins, Alanson M. Pond, Carlton Cook, John C. Fenton, Justice B. Rising.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 131, Children, 77), 208 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 10), 11 ; Confirmed, 1 ; Burials, 4 ; Marriage, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 66, Holy Days, 9, other days, 10), 85 ; Holy Communion (public, 16, private, 3), 19 ; Communicants, last reported, 55, added by confirmation, 2, renewal, 3, died, 2, removed, 4, present number, 54 ; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 50.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$17.09 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$435.21. Total, \$452.30.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$15.70 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$15.70. Total, \$37.40.

General.—Foreign Missions, \$3.50 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$1.50. Total, \$5.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$494.70.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 177, free.

*Remarks.*

The Rev. Irving McElroy resigned his charge October 1st ; since that time the services have been maintained mostly by lay reading.

**S. PAUL'S CHURCH, KEESVILLE.**

Rector. Rev. Wm. H. Cook.

Wardens. Dr. A. Hammond, Henry L. Coppins.

Vestrymen. Frank Madden, Fred. S. Parks, Wm. Cottrill, F. D. White, H. O. Tallmadge, W. B. Parkhill, C. F. Tabor, —. Bachant.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 12, Infants, 16), 28 ; Confirmed, 5 ; Burial, 1 (from Trinity Church, Plattsburgh) ; Marriage, 1 ; Communicants, last reported, 94, admitted, 9, received, 5, removed, 7, present number, 56.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$78.60 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$577.00 ; Sunday School, \$15.00. Total, \$670.60.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$88.60 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$10.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$10.00 ; The Child's Hospital, \$3.00. Total, \$111.60.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$6.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$788.20.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$525.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, free.

*Remarks.*

The discrepancy between number of communicants last reported and present number, is by reason of the separation of the Mission at Ausable Forks from S. Paul's Church, Keeseville, with which, until January 1, 1877, it had been united.

**CHRIST CHURCH, PORT HENRY.**

Rector. Rev. Wm. R. Woodbridge.

Assistant. Rev. Charles E. Cragg.

Wardens. John H. Reed and Frank S. Atwell.

Vestrymen. George Hoy, W. M. J. Botham, R. J. Wait, George T. Murdock, Theodore Tromblee.

*Parochial.*

Families, 47 ; Individuals (Adults, 101, Children, 82), 222 ; Baptisms (Adults—including 5 at Lewis—14, Infants—including 2 at Lewis and 1 at Keene—17), 31 ; Confirmed (including 5 at Lewis), 23 ; Burials (including 2 at Lewis), 7 ; Marriages, 2 ; Public Services (Sundays—including 3 at Lewis—104, Holy Days—including 2 at Lewis—20, other days—including 6 at Lewis and 2 at Keene—58), 182 ; Holy Communion (public—including 4 at Lewis—21, private, 1), 22 ; Communicants, last reported, 47, admitted, 18, received, 4, died, 1, removed, 6, present number, 62 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 58 ; Catechising, number of children, 30, number of times, 6.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$529.31 ; Sunday School, \$29.31 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$31.11 ; Relief of the poor, \$6.32. Total, \$596.05.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$41.01 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; Diocesan Fund, \$14 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$4.48 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$11.78 ; The Child's Hospital, \$5 ; Convocation of Ogdensburgh, \$13.67 ; Essex County Bible Society, \$10. Total, \$105.94.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$39.68 ; Foreign Missions, \$5.86 ; Centennial Relief Fund, Board of Missions, \$3.14 ; Mission work in Mexico, \$6.74. Total, \$55.42. Total Amount of Offerings, \$757.41.

Indebtedness for Current Expenses, \$62.80.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$10 per week.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 180, all free.

*Remarks.*

The services held in Lewis and Keene are included in this Report, because rendered by the Rector of this parish, and not likely to be otherwise reported. The amount of indebtedness (the first ever incurred in this parish) is not seriously embarrassing, and will be paid within a few weeks.

**EMMANUEL MISSION, MINEVILLE.**

Missionary. Rev. William R. Woodbridge.

Assistant. Rev. Charles E. Cragg.

Warden. James Wait.

Treasurer. George T. Treadway.

*Parochial.*

Families, 16 ; Individuals (Adults, 40, Children, 33), 73 ; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 1), 4 ; Confirmed, 10 ; Burials, 2 ; Marriage, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 52, Holy Days, 4, other days, 25), 81 ; Holy Communion, public, 6 ; Communicants, last reported, 19, admitted, 10, died, 1, removed, 4, present number, 24.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, \$74.90.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$5.87.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$80.77.

Amount of Salary pledged, not any.

*Remarks.*

More good results might be expected from the Mission if there were a room which we could use at any time, and fit up for our own services. But this does not seem likely at present ; and we have a legal claim on the use of the lecture room we now use in the unfinished Congregational church.

A Sunday school just organized, under some difficulties, will, it is hoped, supply a need, much felt, of training the children aright.

**S. JAMES' CHURCH, AUSABLE FORKS.**

Missionary. Rev. Charles S. Knapp.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 100, Children, 96), 196 ; Baptisms, Infants, 23 ; Public Services, Sundays, 74 ; Holy Communion, public, 6 ; Communicants, present number, 48 ; Sunday School, teachers, 15, pupils, 102 ; Catechising, number of children, 72, weekly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$21.97 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$575.00 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$11,500.00 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$124.16. Total, \$12,221.13.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$64.03 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$16 ; Diocesan Fund, \$15.00 ; The Child's Hospital, \$10.00 ; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$2.65. Total, \$107.68.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$12,328.81.



Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 225, all free.

*Remarks.*

One encouraging feature of the parish, is the increase in the number of Sunday school pupils, during the last four months, from thirty to seventy-two.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

S. MARK'S CHURCH, MALONE.

Rector. Rev. John B. Pitman.

Wardens. Fred. P. Allen, Wm. Andrus.

Vestrymen. Horace A. Taylor, Albert Hobbs, J. J. Seaver, M. S. Mallon, J. E. Barry, R. S. Brown.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 262, Children, 113), 375 ; Baptisms (Adults, 10, Infants, 3), 13 ; Confirmed, 14 ; Burials, 8 ; Marriages, 6 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 6, other days, 38), 148 ; Holy Communion (public, 38, private, 8), 46 ; Communicants, admitted, 16, received, 3, died, 5, removed, 8, present number, 137 ; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 75 ; Catechising, number of children, 75, number of times, 6.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$31.33 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,723.35 ; Sunday School, \$25.37 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$250.00 ; Carpeting the Church, \$111.00. Total, \$2,141.05.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$75.00 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$30.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$30.00 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$10.00 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, .50 ; The Child's Hospital, \$17.28 ; Assessment on Bishop's House, \$29.79. Total, \$192.57.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$8.29 ; Foreign Missions, \$6.54. Total, \$14 83.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,348.45.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 400, all free.

*Remarks.*

By a new registration of communicants, twenty-seven have been dropped from the list, most of whom have not communicated for years.

S. PETER'S CHURCH, BRUSH'S MILLS.

Rector. Rev. W. M. Cook.

Wardens. C. Jameson, J. C. Farnsworth.

Vestrymen. H. Corbin Brush, George Earle, David Smith, Robert Dunlop, Geo. Farrington, Charles J. Jameson.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 80, Children, 16), 96 ; Baptisms, Infants, 2 ; Confirmed, 1 ; Burial, 1 ; Marriages, 2 ; Public Services (Sundays, 33, Holy Days, 13, other days, 13), 59 ; Holy Communion, public, 8 ; Communicants, last reported, 33, admitted, 4, received, 1, died, 1, removed, 2, present number, 36 ; Sunday school, teachers, 3, pupils, 19 ; Catechising, number of times, 2.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$11.99 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$133.08 ; Sunday School, \$2.25 ; Ladies' Aid Society, \$23.20. Total, \$170.52.

**DIOCESAN.**—Diocesan Missions, \$8.26 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$8 ; Debt on Bishop's House, \$2.80 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1 ; The Child's Hospital (the Sunday School offering), \$2.25. Total, \$20.06.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$190.58.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150, free.

*Remarks.*

The parish was vacant from the last Sunday in Lent, March 25th, till the third in July (July 15th). As there are no records of service, Holy Communion, etc., etc., up to July 15, the numbers given above are not strictly accurate.

**S. JOHN'S CHURCH, CHATEAUGAY.**

Rector. Rev. George C. Pennell, S.T.D.

Wardens. Levi Peake, S. B. M. Beckwith.

Vestrymen. Thomas Peake, Robert Lavery, Thomas Cantwell, L. G. Stuart, I. D. Beckwith.

*Parochial.*

Families, 22 ; Public Services, 4 ; Holy Communion, public, 2.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$15.

*Remarks.*

The Rector took, for the second time, charge of the parish, after his successor resigned. The parish became deeply involved in debt ; so much so, the congregation gave up the services, and it was after repeated efforts to arouse them to the work, that the Rector let the parish take its own course, giving them such pastoral care as was desired of him.

**S. MARK'S CHURCH, WEST BANGOR.**

Rector. Rev. W. M. Cook.

Warden. Ira A. Darling, M.D.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 26, Children, 16), 42 ; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 9), 11 ; Confirmed, 1 ; Burials, 4 ; Public Services (Sundays, 27, other days, 8), 35 ; Holy Communion, public, 10 ; Communicants, last reported, 14, admitted, 1, removed, 3, present number, 12 ; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 39 ; Catechising, number of times, 3.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$8.21 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$165 ; Sunday School, \$3 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$116.25 ; Surplice, \$6.30 ; Interest on Church Debt, \$63. Total, \$361.76.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$6.01.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$367.77.

Indebtedness, about \$925.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$75.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, all free.

**CHURCH OF S. JOHN IN THE WILDERNESS, ST. REGIS LAKE.**

Missionary. Rev. Chas. S. Knapp.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 30, Children, 42), 72 ; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 13), 16 ; Confirmed, 3 ; Public Services (Sundays, 8, other day, 1), 9 ; Holy Communion, public, 3 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 40 ; Catechising, number of children, monthly.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$100 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$2,677.08. Balance on hand, \$135.88.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,912.96.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150, free.

FULTON COUNTY.

S. JOHN'S CHURCH, JOHNSTOWN.

Rector. Rev. Charles C. Edmunds.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adult, 1, Infants, 18), 19 ; Confirmed, 8 ; Burials, 11 ; Marriages, 6 ; Holy Communion (public, 14, private, 5), 19 ; Communicants, last reported, 125, present number, 130.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$138 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,800 ; Sunday School \$79.41. Total, \$2,017.41.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$91.96 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$40 ; Diocesan Fund, \$39 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$8.60 ; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$10. Total, \$189.56.

**General.**—Theological Education, \$20.94 ; Domestic Missions, \$19.44 ; Foreign Missions, \$5 ; Indian Missions, \$5 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$5. Total, \$55.38.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,262.35.

GREENE COUNTY.

S. LUKE'S CHURCH, CATSKILL.

Rector. Rev. Robert Weeks.

Wardens. Charles Trowbridge, Charles S. Willard.

Vestrymen. Wm. L. DuBois, Theodore A. Cole, Charles B. Pinckney, Oliver Bourke, Manly B. Mattice, Geo. W. Halcott, Chas. E. Willard, John H. Bagley, jr.

*Parochial.*

Families, 167 ; Individuals (Adults, 453, Children, 184), 637 ; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 21), 23 ; Confirmed, 7 ; Burials, 15 ; Marriages, 9 ; Churchings, 2 ; Public Services, 363 ; Holy Communion (public, 55, private, 16), 71 ; Communicants, last reported, 223, admitted, 5, died, 3, removed, 1, present number, 224 ; Sunday School, teachers, 22, pupils, 153 ; Catechising, number of children, 153, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion (early celebrations), \$35.57 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries (paid by offerings and pew rents), \$2,619 ; Sunday School (Christmas tree), \$86.45 ; Parish Poor, \$21.37 ; Rent Parish School Building, \$20.18 ; Easter Offertory, Parish Purposes, \$137.18. Total, \$2,919.75.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Purposes (including Diocesan Fund, Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, Increase of the Episcopate Fund, Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen), \$172.69 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$30 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$30.24 ; the Child's Hospital, \$12.03 ; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$8.50 ; Thank-offering for the Child's Hospital, \$5. Total, \$258.46.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$18 ; Foreign Missions, \$37.92 ; Indian Missions,

\$8.22 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$8.22 ; Bishop Tuttle's School, Salt Lake city, \$34.88 ; Easter Offering of Sunday School, \$18.05. Total, \$125.29,

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,303.50.

Indebtedness.—\$1,500, lot for new Church, and \$500 for purchase of school building of Rector.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200, and parsonage rent free.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 375, rented.

#### CHRIST CHURCH, COXSACKIE.

Minister in charge. Rev. Scott B. Rathbun.

Wardens. L. F. Botsford, N. Clute.

Vestrymen. John Van Schaack, S. W. Richardson, A. B. Houghtaling, W. Decker, Wm. Farmer, L. Hubbell.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 21 ; Individuals (Adults, 59, Children, 20), 79 ; Baptisms, Infants, 2 ; Confirmed, 2 ; Burials, 3 ; Public Services, Sundays, 24 ; Holy Communion, (public, 1, private, 1), 2 ; Communicants, last reported, 29, admitted, 2, received, 1, died, 3, present number, 29 ; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 15.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$2.33 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$150.00 ; Sunday School, \$1.35. Total, \$153.68.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$153.68.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300, all free.

#### *Remarks.*

The above Report covers the months of July, August and September, during which I had temporary charge of the parish. The church has, for the past year or more, been but occasionally supplied, and is now closed, there being no rector.

#### TRINITY CHURCH, ATHENS.

Rector. Rev. James Wilkins Stewart.

Wardens. Nathan Clark, Samuel H. Nichols.

Vestrymen. Elbridge D. Nichols, Wm. Van Loan, Henry O. Nichols, Nathan Clark, jr., Hobart D. Pennoyer, Daniel S. Thornton, O. H. Hervey, George S. Nichols.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 90 ; Baptisms (Adults 15, Infants, 11), 26 ; Confirmed, 13 ; Burials, 8 ; Marriages, 2 ; Public Services (Sundays, 98, Holy Days, 26, other days, 61), 185 ; Holy Communion (public, 16, private, 1), 17 ; Communicants, last reported, 100, admitted, 10, died, 2, removed, 4, present number, 104 ; Sunday School, teachers, 11, pupils, 75 ; Catechising, number of children, 50, number of times, 49.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial—Alms at Holy Communion, \$23.27 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,400 ; Sunday School, \$124.26. Total, \$1,547.53.

Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$32.00 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$20.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$18.00 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$2.00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$4.68. Total, \$76.68.

General—Domestic Missions, \$4.00 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$2.00. Total, \$6.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,630.21.

S. PAUL'S CHURCH, OAKHILL.

Missionary. Rev. Erastus Webster.

Warden. John Cherritree.

Vestrymen. Walter Cherritree, H. O. Graham, William De Witt, James Terbush.

*Parochial.*

Families, 15; Individuals (Adults, 35, Children, 20), 55; Confirmed, 2; Burial, 1; Public Services, Sundays, 45; Holy Communion, public, 10; Communicants, admitted, 2, received, 2, removed, 2, present number, 32; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 20.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$16.92; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$252.87; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$100. Total, \$369.79.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$13; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund \$4; Debt on Bishop's House, \$9 60. Total, \$38.60.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$403.39.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, free.

CHRIST CHURCH, GREENVILLE.

Missionary. Rev. Erastus Webster.

Wardens. E. W. Parmer, G. L. Rundle.

Vestrymen. T. S. Prevost, E. R. Roe, W. S. Rundle, S. George, G. J. Ponsonby, B. Waldron.

*Parochial.*

Families, 14; Individuals (Adults, 40, Children, 10), 50; Baptism, Adult, 1; Confirmed, 1; Public Services (Sundays, 50, Holy Days, 2), 52; Holy Communion, (public, 12, private, 6), 18; Communicants, admitted, 1, present number, 36.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$9; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$250. Total, \$259.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$9; Salary of the Bishop, \$12. Total, \$21.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$280.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150, free.

TRINITY CHURCH, ASHLAND.

Rector. Rev. H. C. Hutchings.

Wardens. Willis Chatfield, Darius B. Prout.

*Parochial.*

Families, 33; Baptisms, Infants, 6; Confirmed, 5; Burials, 4; Marriages, 4; Public Services (Sundays, 47, Holy Days, 3, other days, 9), 59; Holy Communion, public, 13; Communicants, last reported, 39, admitted, 5, received, 1, present number, 45; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 30; Catechising, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$6.36; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$400.00; Sunday School, \$19.25; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$100.00. Total, \$525.61.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$30.67; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00; Diocesan Fund, \$8.00. Total, \$44.67.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$23.15.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$593.43.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.00.

*Remarks.*

I have also, in connection with this parish, held thirty-two services in Heusonville, a mission within the parish, and thirty services in Grace Church, Prattsville, where, upon the Bishop's visitation, one person was confirmed. From this parish I have received as salary, \$22.86, and paid to Diocesan Missions, \$6.33, to Diocesan Fund, \$3.00.

CALVARY CHURCH, CAIRO.

Rector. Rev. Richard Harding.

Wardens. Henry E. Hotchkiss, Horatio L. Day.

Vestrymen. John L. Van Hoesen, Selden H. Hine, F. H. Ford, Lucius Byington, George Wickes, John Lennon, Harlow Hine, John Chadderdon.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 70, Children, 7), 77; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 9), 12; Confirmed, 6; Burials, 5; Marriages, 2; Public Services (Sundays, 119, Holy Days, 33, other days, 40), 192; Holy Communion (public, 67, private, 4), 71; Communicants, last reported, 67, admitted, 6, received, 2, died, 1, removed, 8, present number, 50.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$49.59; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$411.85. Total, \$461.44.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$16.10; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00. Total, \$22.10.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$483.54.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$335.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150. all free.

*Remarks.*

The Rev. Mr. Harding resigned the parish Nov. 1st, 1877, and at the present time it is vacant.

HERKIMER COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, FAIRFIELD.

Rector. Rev. E. N. Goddard.

Wardens. Manning S. Todd (deceased December, 1877), Jairus Mather.

Vestrymen. Sidenius Teall (deceased December 1877), William Mather, M.D., Griffin Sweet, M.D., Hiram S. Barnes, James Seaman, Atwater C. Wilson, Charles W. Hamlin, M.D., John P. Todd.

*Parochial.*

Burials, 3; Public Services (Sundays, 44, Holy Days, 7, other days, 2), 53; Holy Communion (public, 7, private, 1), 8; Communicants, died, 2, removed, 1, present number, 15.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$167.76; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$22.63; Choir, \$15.95; Other Parochial Objects, \$6.93. Total, \$213.27.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$19.35; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$4.50; Debt on Bishop's House, \$5.05. Total, \$40.90.

General.—Domestic Missions, Bishop Tuttle, \$5.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$259.17.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175, free.

**GRACE CHURCH, NORWAY.**

Rector. Rev. E. N. Goddard.

Wardens. David DuBois, Wm. Hadcock.

Vestrymen.—John B. Root, Luke T. DuBois, Lawrence LaRue, Wm. Vandenburg, James D. Ives, H. S. Burt, C. W. Nichols, C. J. Hall, M.D.

*Parochial.*

Confirmed, 1; Burials, 3; Marriage, 1; Public Services (Sundays, 39, Holy Day, 1, other day, 1). 41; Holy Communion (public, 6, private, 1), 7; Communicants, admitted, 1, died, 1, present number, 20; Sunday School, teacher, 1, pupils, 6; Catechising, number of children, 6, number of times, 20.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$159.46; Other Parochial Objects, \$30.53. Total, \$180.99.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$19.55; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$4.50. Total, \$30.05.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$211.04.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, free.

**EMMANUEL CHURCH, LITTLE FALLS.**

Rector. Rev. Albert Danker, Ph.D.

Wardens. Martin W. Priest, William T. Wheeler.

Vestrymen. W. H. Weeks, E. B. Waite, G. A. Hardin, R. S. Whitman, A. G. Story, William Beattie, James Feeter.

*Parochial.*

Families, 90; Individuals about 300; Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 5), 10; Confirmed, 9; Burials, 11; Marriages, 7; Public Services (Sundays, 98, Holy Days, 15, other days, including Lent, 75), 188; Holy Communion (public, 16, private, 1), 17; Communicants, last reported, 150, admitted, 9, received, 6, died, 2, removed, 13, present number, 150; Sunday School, teachers, 13, pupils, 110; Catechising, number of children, 110, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$30.58; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,210.65; Sunday School, \$17.60; Gift to Rector, \$100.00; Christmas tree, etc., \$40.26. Total, \$1,399.09.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$46.15; Salary of the Bishop, \$36.77; Diocesan Fund, \$12.55; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$10.00. Total, \$105.47.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$12.60; Foreign Missions, \$24.61. Total, \$37.21.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,541.77.

Indebtedness, \$274.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 450, rented and free.

Value of Church and Rectory, \$30,000—no incumbrance.

*Remarks,*

The "cottage lecture," weekly; the "singing school," and other mission work in the town, are regularly maintained, and with very encouraging results, under the Good Lord's blessing.



**CHRIST CHURCH, HERKIMER.**

Rector. Rev. William Bogert Walker.

Wardens. G. W. Pine, Hon. R. Earl.

Vestrymen. J. D. Henderson, C. W. Palmer, S. Earl, E. A. Brown, H. G. Munger, H. P. Witherstine, G. H. Kelsey, J. H. Huyck.

*Parochial.*

Families, 130, Mohawk, 22; Individuals (Adults, 265, Mohawk, 65, Children, 140, Mohawk, 20), 490; Baptisms (Adults, 18, Infants, 34), 52; Confirmed, 21; Burials, 6; Marriages, 7; Public Services (Sundays, 150, Mohawk, 64, Holy Days, 76, other days, 77, Mohawk, 36), 403; Holy Communion (public, 74, private, 3), 77; Communicants, last reported, 79, admitted, 18, received, 3, removed, 2, present number, 98; Sunday School, teachers, 11, pupils, 106; Catechising, number of times, 35.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$750.05; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$463.15; Sunday School, \$44.75; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$124.00; Parish Society, \$259.92; Donation to Rector (including from Mohawk, \$144.00), \$350.00. Total, \$1,991.87.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$67.11; Salary of the Bishop, \$12.00; Diocesan Fund, \$12.00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5.28; The Child's Hospital, \$2.89; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$3.00. Total, \$102.28.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$3.00; Foreign Missions, \$2.22; Mission to Jews, \$1.55. Total, \$6.77.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,100.92.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$900.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250, free.

**S. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH, ILION.**

Rector. Rev. C. F. A. Bielby.

Wardens. F. C. Shepard, R. Winegar.

Vestrymen. J. L. Osgood, W. K. Jenne, F. A. W. Armstrong, A. Williamson, T. J. Behan, A. W. Haslehurst, W. Onyans, W. Baker.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 11, Infants, 28), 39; Confirmed, 14; Burials, 8; Marriages, 4; Public Services (Sundays, 103, Holy Days, 30, other days, 50), 183; Holy Communion (public, 24, private, 2), 26; Communicants, admitted, 14, received, 6, removed, 7, present number, 83; Sunday School, teachers, 15, pupils, 110; Catechising, number of children, average 85, number of times, 52.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$24.73; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$638.87, not including Rector's, \$300. Total, \$963.60.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$5.50.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$3.75; Foreign Missions, \$9. Total, \$12.75.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$981.85.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250, all free.

**MEMORIAL CHURCH, MIDDLEVILLE.**

Missionary. Rev. E. N. Goddard.

*Parochial.*

Marriage, 1; Public Services (Sundays, 20, other day, 1), 21; Holy Communion, public, 3; Communicants, present number (including Newport), 18;

Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 20 ; Catechising, number of children, 20, number of times, 4.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$35.50 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$13.25 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$3.25. Total, \$52.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$8.65 ; Debt on Bishop's house, \$3.90. Total, \$12.55.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$64.55.

Indebtedness, \$4,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250, all free.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

S. ANN'S CHURCH, AMSTERDAM.

Rector. Rev. William N. Irish.

Wardens. W. Max Reid, John J. Hand.

Vestrymen Abram V. Morris, Cyrus B. Chase, James T. Sugden, William Ryland, John K. Warnick, Le Grand S. Strang, Daniel Carmichael, Geo. S. Devendorf.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 191, Children, 113), 304 ; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 16), 20 ; Confirmed, 13 ; Burials, 10 ; Marriages, 3 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 50, other days, 38), 192 ; Holy Communion, public, 10 ; Communicants, last reported, 106, admitted, 11, received, 11, died, 1, removed, 17, present number, 111 ; Sunday School, teachers, 18, pupils, 80 ; Catechising, every week if possible.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$42.16 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,830.94 ; Sunday School, \$44.26 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$39.11. Total, \$1,956.47.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$21.20 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$29.25 ; The Child's Hospital, \$6.17. Total, \$56.62.

General.—Church for Colored Persons, Washington, \$20.00 ; Rev. L. C. Newman (Jews), \$2.50. Total, \$22.50.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,035.59.

Indebtedness.—\$4,043.34.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250, all free.

ZION CHURCH, FONDA.

Missionary. Rev. Charles H. Vandyne.

Wardens. Richard H. Cushney, Henry T. E. Brower.

Vestrymen. Samuel Cross, H. B. Cushney, Giles H. F. Van Horne, Edward B. Cushney, James Adcock, William Fonda, Richard N. Casler, G. R. Casler.

*Parochial.*

Families, 25 ; Individuals (Adults, 47, Children, 43), 90 ; Baptisms, Infants, 2 ; Confirmed, 1 ; Burials, 2 ; Marriages, 3 ; Public Services (Sundays, 50, Holy Days, 3, other days, 20), 73 ; Holy Communion (public, 13, private, 3), 16 ; Communicants, last reported, 36, admitted, 3, received, 3, removed, 1 ; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 89 ; Catechising, number of children, 40, number of times, 10.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$44.58 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$363.63 ; Sunday School, \$66.00 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$52.42. Total, \$526.63.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$42.50 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$7.50 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$2.00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.00 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$2.00 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$2.00 ; The Child's Hospital, \$4.00 ; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$2.24. Total, \$75.74.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$602.37.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150, free.

## OTSEGO COUNTY.

## ZION CHURCH, MORRIS.

**Rector.** Rev. Hobart Cooke.

**Assistant.** Rev. Ernest A. Hartman.

**Wardens.** Norris Gilbert (deceased), Nelson B. Pearsall.

**Vestrymen.** James E. Cooke, Silas S. Matteson, James R. Morris, Isaac Mansfield, A. N. Cruttenden, G. Clayton Peck, Charles J. Smith, George A. Yates.

*Parochial.*

Families, 135 ; Baptisms (Adults, 16, Infants, 14), 30 ; Confirmed, 16 ; Burials, 14 ; marriages, 5 ; Public Services, 206 ; Holy Communion (public, 17, private, 2), 19 ; Communicants, last reported, 238, admitted, 23, received, 16, died, 3, present number, 251 ; Sunday School, teachers, 17, pupils, 100.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$95.11 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,300 ; Sunday School, \$40 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$180. Total, \$2,615.11.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$242.52 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$50 ; Diocesan Fund, \$36 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$25 ; The Child's Hospital, \$25. Total, \$378.52.

**General.**—Domestic Missions (Bishop Tuttle's work), \$300 ; Foreign Missions, \$5. Total, \$305.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,298.63.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200 ; Assistant, \$600.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 500, free.

## S. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, UNADILLA.

**Rector.** Rev. Charles Pelletreau.

**Wardens.** W. J. Thompson, Lloyd Woodruff.

**Vestrymen.** T. B. Arnold, A. P. Gray, G. B. Fellows, D. P. Loomis, F. J. Sands, W. H. Heslop, A. J. Lewis, O. L. Ireland.

*Parochial.*

Confirmed, 7 ; Burials, 5 ; Marriages, 2 ; Public Services (Sundays, 90, Holy Days, 12, other days, 25), 127 ; Holy Communion (public, 27, private, 2), 29 ; Communicants, last reported, 120, admitted, 7, received, 2, removed, 4, present number, 125 ; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 40 ; Catechising, number of children, 40, weekly.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$20 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,075.49 ; Sunday School, \$26 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$403.51 ; Christmas tree, \$16 ; Other Objects, \$12.25. Total, \$1,552.25.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$64.31 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$20 ; Diocesan Fund, \$24 ; The Child's Hospital, \$22. Total, \$130.31.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$9 ; Foreign Missions, \$5 ; Mission to the Jews, \$4. Total, \$18.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,700.56.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800 and Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 400, rented.

**CHRIST CHURCH, COOPERSTOWN.**

Rector. Rev. W. W. Lord, D.D.

Wardens. G. W. Ernst, J. R. Worthington.

Vestrymen. D. A. Avery, G. P. Keese, Fred L. Palmer, Edward Clark, H. M. Hooker, W. F. Bassett, A. A. Jarvis, H. Sturges.

*Parochial.*

Families, 130 ; Individuals (Adults, 310, Children, 134), 444 ; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 14), 20 ; Confirmed, 28 ; Burials, 10 ; Marriages, 9 ; Public Services, all Sundays, all Holy Days, Wednesdays and Fridays, other days, Orphan House every month, Poor-House occasionally ; Holy Communion, public every month, Christmas and All Saints, private, 7 ; Communicants, last reported, 200 (ascertained, 192), admitted, 26, received, 13, died, 4, removed, 15, present number, 212 ; Sunday School, teachers, 14, pupils, 110 ; Catechising, number of children, 90, number of times, 9 in the church, weekly in the school.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$160.88 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,148.50 ; Sunday School, \$215. Total, \$2,524.38.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$250 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$60 ; Diocesan Fund, \$42 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$7.34 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$22.30 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$50.47 ; Taxes and repairs on Bishop's house, \$60 ; Convocation Expenses, \$11.13. Total, \$503.24.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$58 ; Foreign Missions, \$50 ; Indian Missions, \$4.50 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$3.50 ; Relief Fund, Board of Missions, \$14.66 ; Box to Colorado Mission, \$275. Total, \$405.66.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,433.28.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,400.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 420 ; number rented, 395 ; number free, 25.

*Remarks.*

I have made this report from Convention to Convention, in order to balance the account of our church with the diocese ; which otherwise (some of the collections having been made since January 1st) could not have been done.

**IMMANUEL CHURCH, OTEGO.**

Rector. Rev. William Charles Grubbe.

Wardens. Charles Blake, Eugene L. Phillips.

Vestrymen. William H. Parker, A. B. Cossuart, W. H. Lines, F. E. Shepherd, George Goodman, W. J. Gilbert, John Stilson, George W. Shearman, jr.

*Parochial.*

Families, 21 ; Individuals (Adults, 53, Children, 4), 57 ; Public Services (Sundays, 49, other days, 2), 51 ; Holy Communion, public, 12 ; Communicants, last reported, 33, removed, 2, present number, 31.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$26.93 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$294.79. Total, \$321.72.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$14.08 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12 ; Diocesan Fund, \$9. Total, \$35.08.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$356.80.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Sittings in the Church, free.

*Remarks.*

The organist is paid by Mr. Wm. Birdsall. Amount, \$25.

## S. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, WESTFORD.

Missionary. Rev. Theodore A. Snyder.

Warden. Andrew Snyder.

*Parochial.*

Individuals, 9 ; Baptism, Infant, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 32, Holy Days, 4, other days, 4), 40 ; Holy Communion, public, 5 ; Communicants, present number, 8.

*Offerings.*

Current Expenses, \$9.91.

## GRACE CHURCH, CHERRY VALLEY.

Rector. Rev. Reeve Hobbie.

Wardens. Henry Roseboom, Joseph Phelon.

Vestrymen. Charles McLean, A. B. Cox, A. L. Swan, A. Brown, I. L. Sawyer, Philip Wales, George Neale, George Merritt, M.D.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 8), 10 ; Confirmed, 10 ; Burials, 4 ; Marriages, 2 ; Public Services, Sundays, 50, all the Holy Days, other days, Lenten ; Holy Communion (public, 17, private, 10), 27 ; Communicants, last reported, 120, admitted, 10, received, 2, died, 3, removed, 14, present number, 112 ; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 55.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$120.34 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,119.89 ; Sunday School, \$23.10 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$3,464.83 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$34.20. Total, \$4,762.36.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$38.33 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$25.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$24.00 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$6.50 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$6.15. Total, \$99.98.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$13.88 ; Indian Missions, \$10.00 ; Nashotah Seminary, \$10.00 ; Deaf Mutes, \$9.57. Total, \$43.45.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$4,905.79.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sittings in the Church, 273, free.

*Remarks.*

A new rectory has been built and entirely paid for.

S. JOHN'S CHURCH, RICHFIELD SPRINGS.

Rector. Rev. Edward M. Pecke.

Wardens. Niles D. Jewell, Melville DeV. Martin.

Vestrymen. W. B. Ward, J. F. Getman, J. A. Storer, F. O. Brown, W. A. Smith, W. B. Crain, A. C. Cole, J. S. Davenport.

*Parochial.*

Families, 40 ; Individuals (Adults, 110, Children, 55), 165 ; Baptisms, Infants, 8 ; Confirmed, 3 ; Burials, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 101 ; Holy Days, 16, other days, 83), 200 ; Holy Communion (public, 26, private, 1), 27 ; Communicants, last reported, 66, admitted, 3, received, 7, died, 1, removed, 4, present number, 71 ; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 50 ; Catechising, number of children, 50, number of times, 50.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$414.14 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries (through offertory, \$246.48, by subscription, \$503.55), \$750.03 ; Sunday School, \$38.58 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$175.00. Total, \$1,377.75.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$18.53 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12 ; Diocesan Fund, \$24 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$1.00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.20 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$1.80 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$11.60 ; The Child's Hospital (from Sunday School), \$3.50 ; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$2.02 ; Convocation of the Susquehanna, \$2.87. Total, \$78.52.

General.—Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$1.69 ; Indian Missions, \$116.00. Total, \$117.69.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,573.96.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, all free.

*Remarks.*

Of the Alms at the Holy Communion, reported above, \$299.06 were contributed in the summer, by strangers temporarily sojourning in the parish ; and of the amount reported as received through the offertory for current expenses, \$130.22, were contributed also during the summer, by non-residents.

The church building has been enlarged and improved by the addition of an organ room, which opens by one arch into the chancel, and by another into the nave.

S. JOHN'S CHURCH, PORTLANDVILLE.

Rector. Rev. James Hoyt Smith.

Lay Reader. George A. Somers.

Wardens. George A. Somers, Robert M. Townsend.

Vestrymen. Julius Elwell, Osborn Packer, Hiram C. Cline, Joseph M. Lowe (vacancy by death, Dec. 30).

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 41, Children, 9), 50 ; Baptisms (Adults, 9, Infants, 3), 12 ; Confirmed, 7 ; Public Services (Sundays, 103, Holy Days, 9, other day, 1), 113 ; Holy Communion (public, 8, private, 1), 9 ; Communicants, last reported, 26, admitted, 8, received, 2, died, 1, removed, 2, present number, 33 ; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 9 ; Catechising, number of children, 4, number of times, 1.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$2.29 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$143.08. Total, \$145.37.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$13.35 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$4.00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.00 ; The Child's Hospital, \$1.40 ; Assessments, Taxes, etc., Bishop's House, \$6.90. Total, \$32.65.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$1.52 ; Foreign Missions, \$1.00. Total, \$2.52.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$180.54.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175, free.

*Remarks.*

The Reverend Frederic O. Granniss was in charge of this parish from January 1st to June 1st of present year. The present Rector took charge Sept. 1st, 1877.

**S. PAUL'S CHURCH, EAST SPRINGFIELD.**

Rector. Rev. E. Folsom Baker.

Wardens. James H. Cooke, Henry H. Davy.

Vestrymen. Sheldon A. Young, John Scollard, Albert Keene, Thomas S. Fitch, M.D., Daniel Gilchrist.

*Parochial.*

Families, 17 ; Individuals (Adults, 44, Children, 27), 71 ; Baptisms, Infants, 3 ; Confirmed, 7 ; Burials, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 92, Holy Days, 40, other days, 12), 144 ; Holy Communion, public, 22 ; Communicants, last reported, 23, admitted, 5, received, 2, died, 1, removed, 7, present number, 22 ; Catechising, number of Children, 7, number of times, 8.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$22.93 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$300.00. Total, \$322.93.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$25.00 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$6.00. Total, \$37.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$359.93.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 120, free.

*Remarks.*

The church was closed on four Sundays last winter on account of heavy snow storms, when the depth of snow was so great that not a team was to be seen on the road, and not a soul came to church—a very unusual thing, even for this snowy region.

In addition to the one burial reported, on the fifth day of June, at Newcomb village, in the Adirondacks, I buried the noted hunter and guide, John Cheney, whom I had visited a day or two before he died, but found him incapable of receiving the Holy Sacrament. I knew him well ; and, although he was a Methodist by force of circumstances, he lacked only the opportunity of being a churchman. He was without worldly guile : gentle in manner, and pure in heart.

**S. JAMES' CHURCH, ONEONTA.**

Rector. Rev. J. B. Colhoun.

Wardens. John Cope, William Whyte.

Vestrymen. N. N. Bull, H. J. Cady, F. C. Gardner, William H. Heden, Richard Downes, Myron D. Jewell, R. L. Fox.



*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adult, 1, Infants, 5), 6 ; Confirmed, 1 ; Burials, 2 ; Public Services (Sundays, 102, Holy Days, 17, other day, 1), 120 ; Holy Communion, public, 15 ; Communicants, last reported, 56, admitted, 1, received, 5, removed, etc., 8, present number, 54 ; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 25 ; Catechising, number of children, 25, catechised frequently.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$11.80 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$377.99 ; Sunday School, \$9.38 ; Ladies for Church Debts, \$27. Total, \$426.67.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$16.04 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2. Total, \$24.04.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$3.71.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$454.42.

Indebtedness.—To Rector's Salary, \$194.24 ; Floating Debt, \$238.18. Mortgage to Mr. John Cope, on Church and Lot, \$3,500, including interest for eight years from February 1, 1877, due in seven equal annual payments, without interest from Feb. 1, 1879—equal to the cash payment of \$2,500.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300, free.

RENSSELAER COUNTY.

S. PAUL'S CHURCH, TROY.

Rector..Rev. Francis Harison, S.T.D.

Priest in charge of S. Paul's Free Chapel. Rev. William C. Prout.

Assistant Minister. Rev. William M. Pickslay.

*Parochial.*

Individuals, estimated (Adults, 500, Children, 300), 800 ; Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 42), 47 ; Confirmed, 33 ; Burials, 11 ; Marriages, 13 ; Public Services (Sundays, 177, Holy Days, 77, other days, 580) 834 ; Holy Communion, public celebrations, 83 ; Communicants, last reported, 300, admitted, 30, died, 2, present number (estimated), 300 ; Sunday School, teachers and other officers, 43, pupils, 400 ; Parish School, teachers, 5, pupils, 50.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$585.56 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$10,209.70 ; Sunday School, \$1,063.71. Total, \$11,858 97.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$1,131.25 ; \* Salary of the Bishop, \$325 ; Diocesan Fund, \$75 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$50 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$40 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$40 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$236 ; The Child's Hospital, \$25 ; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$50 ; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$760. Total, \$2,732.25.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$280 ; Foreign Missions, \$120 ; Indian Missions, \$65 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$40 ; Other Objects Exterior to the Diocese, \$73.45. Total, \$578.45.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$15,169.67.

*Remarks.*

The report of this parish, so far as concerns S. Paul's Free Chapel, is separately stated.

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\* Exclusive of the amount contributed to the expenses of S. Paul's Free Chapel, which is included under the head of current expenses.

**S. PAUL'S FREE CHAPEL, TROY.**

Priest in charge. Rev. William C. Prout.

Committee. John I. Thompson, Walter P. Warren, George S. Bennett.

*Parochial.*

Families, 148 ; Individuals (Adults, 235, Children, 275), 510 ; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 31), 34 ; Confirmed, 24 ; Burials, 21 ; Marriages, 6 ; Public Services, Sundays, 199, Holy Days, 38, other days, 91 ; Holy Communion (public, 83, private, 3), 86 ; Communicants, last reported, 106, admitted, 21, received, 8, died, 2, removed, 20, present number, 113 ; Sunday School, teachers, 22, pupils, 220 ; Catechising, number of children, 220, number of times, 38.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$63.73 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,030.95 ; Sunday School, \$337.75 ; Industrial School, \$55.27 ; Young Men's Guild, \$29.50 ; Sewing Society, \$24.50. Total, \$1,541.70.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$43.46 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$13.73 ; The Child's Hospital, \$1.50. Total, \$58.69.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$4.54 ; Foreign Missions, \$3.04. Total, \$7.58.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,607.97.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300, free.

**TRINITY CHURCH, LANSINGBURGH.**

Rector. Rev. Byron J. Hall.

Wardens. Alexander Walsh, Horace W. Day.

Vestrymen. William R. Barton, James McQuide, Peter B. King, Arthur Cobden, Edgar Betts, Charles Dauchy, Jacob Dudden.

*Parochial.*

Families, 250 ; Individuals (Adults, 350, Children, 200), 550 ; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 20), 23 ; Confirmed, 20 ; Burials, 8 ; Marriages, 6 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 40, other days, 8), 152 ; Holy Communion (public, 20, private, 6), 26 ; Communicants, last reported, 175 ; Sunday School, teachers, 30, pupils, 225.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$75 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,600. Total, \$2,675.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$100 ; Diocesan Fund, \$20 ; The Child's Hospital, \$12 ; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$53.23. Total, \$185.23.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,860.23.

Indebtedness, \$3,900.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 416.

*Remarks.*

Owing to financial troubles in the village, the failure of Lansingburgh Bank, in which many of my good people were stockholders and depositors, the amount of offerings this year are much less than usual.

**S. JOHN'S CHURCH, TROY.**

Rector. Rev. Frank Louis Norton.

Wardens. F. N. Mann, N. B. Squires.

Vestrymen. Benj. H. Hall, J. B. Wilkinson, Wm. A. Shepard, Chas. A. McLeod, Dudley Tibbits, Geo. T. Lane, William A. Thompson, Thos. A. Tillinghast.

*Parochial.*

Families, 204 ; Baptisms (Adults, 21, Infants, 42), 63 ; Confirmed, 39 ; Burials, 10 ; Marriages, 8 ; Churchings, 1 ; Public Services, Sundays, all, Holy Days, all, other days, Wednesdays and Fridays ; Holy Communion, public, 17 ; Communicants, last reported, 366, admitted, 39, received, 2, died, 1, removed, 3, present number, 404 ; Sunday School, teachers, 31, pupils, 255 ; Catechising, number of times, 12 ; Sewing Parish School, teachers, 3, pupils, 35.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$638.50 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$6,285.00 ; Sunday School, \$473.28 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$250.00 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$338.55. Total, \$7,985.33.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$488.28 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$250.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$90.00 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$25.65 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$39.15 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$50.00 ; the Child's Hospital, \$100.74 ; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$23.66 ; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$2,506.37. Total, \$3,573.85.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$87.50 ; Foreign Missions, \$196.27 ; Other Objects Exterior to the Diocese, \$110.00. Total, 393.77.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$11,952.95.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$3,000.00, and rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 700, in the Chapel, 250 ; number rented, 80 pews estimated ; number free, 10.

*Remarks.*

Church Property in good condition.

CHRIST CHURCH, TROY.

Rector. Rev. Joseph N. Mulford.

Wardens. George B. Smith, William Kemp.

Vestrymen. Jacob Jacobs, Charles Cleminshaw, Charles N. Stannard, Samuel C. Tappin, Liberty Gilbert, Robert G. Smith, Peter Black, William H. Lawton.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 16, Infants, 24), 40 ; Confirmed, 41 ; Burials, 21 ; Marriages, 7 ; Public Services (Sundays, 192, Holy Days, 4, other days, 48), 244 ; Holy Communion (public, 12, private, 1), 13 ; Communicants, last reported, 249, admitted, 41, received, 6, died, 2, removed, 14, present number, 280.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$110.00 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,319.60 ; Sunday School, \$224.37 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$180.32 ; Special Offerings for the Poor,, \$148.04 ; Sunday School Organ and other Objects, \$391.66. Total, \$4,971.99.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$250.00 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$125.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$60.00 ; The Child's Hospital, \$42.63 ; Church Home, Troy, \$245.00 ; Trinity Church, Hart's Falls, \$100.00 ; Church at East Line, \$50.00 ; Special Objects, \$33.02. Total, \$905.65.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$121.70 ; Foreign Missions, \$50.00 ; Evangelical Education Society, \$50.00. Total, \$221.70.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$6,101.34.

S. MARK'S CHURCH, HOOSICK FALLS.

Rector. Rev. George H. Nicholls.

Assistant. Rev. John D. Skene.

Wardens. Walter A. Wood, J. Russell Parsons.

Vestrymen. John G. Darroch, S. A. Skinner, Edward Pattison, James Sloan, Stephen W. Barker, Camp Keller, A. C. Geer, M. D. Greenwood.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 7, Infants, 8), 15 ; Confirmed, 14 ; Burials, 15 ; Marriages, 1 ; Holy Communion (public, 15, private, 6), 21 ; Communicants, last reported, 143, admitted, 16, received, 3, died, 8, removed, 10, present number, 144 ; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 84.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,064.00 ; Sunday School, \$154.48 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$115.52. Total, \$2,334.00.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$326.00 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$26.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$45.00 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$5.00 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10.00 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$10.00 ; The Child's Hospital, \$18.00 ; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$20.00 ; Troy Convocation, \$158.00. Total, \$618.00.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$20.00 ; Foreign Missions, \$10.00 ; Indian Missions, \$10.00 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$10.00. Total, \$50.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,002.00.

TRINITY CHURCH, SCHAGHTICOKE.

Rector. Rev. R. G. Hamilton.

Wardens. Edward B. Arnold, Thomas L. Doremus.

Vestrymen. Charles Albro, J. J. Wetzel, Edward Searls, Daniel M. White, William H. Leyfield, Robert Thompson, J. F. Knickerbacker.

*Parochial.*

Families, 45 ; Individuals (Adults, 102, Children, 66), 168 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 15), 16 ; Confirmed, 2 ; Burials, 9 ; Marriages 4 ; Public Services (Sundays, 120, other days, 25), 145 ; Holy Communion, public, 31 ; Communicants, last reported, 39, admitted, 2, received, 4, died, 4, present number, 41 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 50 ; Catechising, number of children, 35, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$539.77 ; Sunday School, \$23.75. Total, \$563.52.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$15.00 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$5.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$5.00 ; Assessment on Bishop's House, balance, \$6.90. Total, \$31.90.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$10.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$605.42.

Indebtedness.—Mortgage Debt, \$4,980.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$400.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, all free.

*Remarks.*

It is with great thankfulness, that the foregoing report is made. This is the first time in the history of the parish, that the congregation has fully met their current expenses. It is to be hoped that another year, if spared so long, will see the bonded debt reduced to at least, \$2,700.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, GREENBUSH.

Rector. Rev. Edgar T. Chapman.

Wardens. Thomas Fuller, Francis B. Parmelee, M.D.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 7), 8; Confirmed, 7; Burial, 1; Marriage, 1; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 12, other days, 100), 216; Holy Communion (public, 28, private, 2), 30; Communicants, admitted, 7; received, 4; Sunday School, teachers, 16, pupils, 80.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$28.80; Other Parochial Objects, \$68. Total, \$96.80.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$25; Salary of the Bishop, \$24; Diocesan Fund, \$30; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$5; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$3; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$2; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5; The Child's Hospital, \$5; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$5. Total, \$104.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$2.91. Total, \$7.91.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$208.71.

**S. LUKE'S CHURCH, TROY.**

Rector. Rev. John W. H. Weibel.

Wardens. Frederick A. Stow, William Shattock.

Vestrymen. Joseph W. Fuller, Peter Thalimer, Norman B. Squires, James Wood, William A. Thompson, Henry Evans, Thomas B. Iler, Samuel Kirkbride.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adult, 1, Infants, 20), 21; Confirmed, 33; Burials, 9; Marriage, 1; Churchings, 4; Public Services (Sundays, 102, Holy Days, 3, other days, 16), 121; Holy Communion (public, 17, private, 2), 19; Communicants, last reported, 109, admitted, 18, received, 1, removed, 2, present number, 116; Sunday School, teachers, 24, pupils, 182; Catechising, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$22.11; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,568.80; Sunday School, \$61.05; The poor, \$120; Other Objects, \$276. Total, \$2,047.96.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$17.95; Salary of the Bishop, \$10; Diocesan Fund, \$24; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.80. Total, \$53.75.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,101.71.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 500, free.

**THE FREE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, EAST ALBANY.**

Rector. Rev. Richard Temple.

Trustees. Rev. Richard Temple, Rev. Frank L. Norton, Tho. A. Tillinghast, J. H. Van Antwerp, Dudley Tibbits, A. H. Tyler, William Anderson.

*Parochial.*

Families and parts of families, 84; Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 17), 22; Confirmed, 24; Burials, 11; Marriages, 7; Public Services, every Sunday, etc.; Communicants, last reported, 75, admitted, 24, received, 5, died, 5, removed, 7, present number, 92; Sunday School, teachers, 23, pupils, 144.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$19.85; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,118.50; Sunday School, \$73.41; Balance of debt for building, \$829.17; New organ, \$350. Total, \$2,390.93.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$11.95.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,402.88.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, all free.

### ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY.

#### S. JOHN'S CHURCH, OGDENSBURGH.

Rector. Rev. James D. Morrison,

Assistants. Rev. George C. Griswold, Rev. H. R. Peters, D.D.

Wardens. Charles Ashley, Louis Hasbrouck, jr:

Vestrymen. J. G. Averill, John D. Judson, H. R. James, James Armstrong, J. C. Sprague, Stillman Foote, F. N. Burt.

#### *Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 54), 57; received Infants, 3; Confirmed, 50; Burials, 20; Marriages, 10; Churching, 1; Holy Communion, public, every Sunday and Holy Day, private, many times; Communicants, present number, about 350; Sunday School, teachers, 30, pupils, 290; S. John's High School, teachers, 1, pupils, 21.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion: We have a celebration every Sunday, Alms first Sunday of month, \$314.64; Alms on other Sundays for various objects, \$950; Current Expenses, including Salaries, about \$6,200; Sunday School, \$150; Parish School, \$1,000; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$750; S. John's Orphanage, \$520.75. Total, \$9,885.39.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$617.60; Salary of the Bishop, \$70; Diocesan Fund, \$54; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$20; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$15.50; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$8.50; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$1; The Child's Hospital, \$57. Total, \$843.60.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$11; Foreign Missions, \$6.20; Indian Missions \$7; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$7. Total, \$31.20.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$10,760.19.

Indebtedness, \$3,200.

Annuity to Dr. Peters, \$1,000.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,800; and house rent, \$350.

Assistant minister, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 980; in Chapel, 325; rented and free in Church; free in Chapel.

#### S. PAUL'S CHURCH, WADDINGTON.

Rector. Rev. Thomas G. Clemson.

Wardens. Seth J. Dewey, John T. Rutherford.

Vestrymen. Charles Montgomery, Silas J. Bower, M.D., Charles Clark, Wm. Forsythe, James I. Cook, William Keyes, H. B. Proctor, Samuel L. Carlisle.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 35; Individuals (Adults, 100, Children, 68), 168; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 9), 10; Confirmed, 11; Burials, 5; Marriages, 5; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 10), 114; Holy Communion (public, 15, private, 3), 18; Communicants, last reported, 62, admitted, 11, received, 3, died, 3, removed, 1, present number, 74; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 40; Catechising, number of children, 40, number of times, 50.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$18.40 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$500.00 ; Sunday School, \$6.70 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$120.00 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$40.00. Total, \$685.10.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$26.23 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$7.00 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$1.97 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.94. Total, \$50.14.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$5.42.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$740.66.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$850.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 500, all free.

*Remarks.*

Services have been maintained at Chase Mills for some months, where there is promise of success in large attendance and general interest.

**CHRIST CHURCH, MORRISTOWN.**

**Rector.** Rev. William H. Phillips.

**Wardens.** E. W. White, Frank Chapman.

**Vestrymen.** H. Hooker, John Canfield, H. A. Chapman, J. A. Phillips, M.D., E. Kingsland, William Boulton, G. E. Pope.

*Parochial.*

Families, 38 ; Individuals (Adults, 83, Children, 53), 136 ; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 8), 10 ; Confirmed, 13 ; Burials, 3 ; Marriages, 4 ; Public Services (Sundays, 103, Holy Days, 9, other days, 12), 124 ; Holy Communion, public, 15 ; Communicants, last reported, 58, admitted, 7, removed, 3, present number, 62 ; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 35.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$46.22 ; Current Expenses, \$45.00 ; Sunday School Offering, \$18.22 ; Rector's Salary, \$500.00. Total, \$609.44.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$18.25 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$10.00 ; The Child's Hospital, \$8.00 ; Easter Offering applied to payment of Diocesan Mission debt, \$9.00. Total, \$45.25.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$640.19.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.

*Remarks.*

Took charge of the parish, February 8, 1877. Besides the two Sunday services at Morristown, held eight services at Hammond, a missionary post of good promise, ten miles distant, and three services at Black Lake, five miles distant, in the afternoon. I wished to keep up these services, giving to each a service every other Sunday afternoon, but could not for want of conveyance. Hammond is a village of 200 inhabitants, in the midst of a thickly settled neighborhood, where a service has not been held for thirty years. Black Lake is also a thickly settled country. The congregations at both these places are larger than at the parish church. At Black Lake, there are several church families ; there is no religious service there, except Universalist preaching every two weeks. The people at Morristown took me to these places till the roads became rough, then gave it up, much to my regret. Briar Hill, a village five miles distant, is another fine opening for church work. These three stations could be well worked from Morristown, and good work done by visiting the country immediately around this village, and a strong parish built up here ; but for want of a conveyance, and a sufficient living, souls are perishing, and a fruitful field is half worked. The half-fed horse must necessarily do poor work.



## TRINITY CHURCH, POTSDAM.

Rector. Rev. H. R. Howard.

Assistant. Rev. J. R. L. Nisbett.

Wardens. E. W. Foster, T. Streatfield Clarkson.

Vestrymen. Milton Heath, B. Usher, C. O. Tappan, Chas. Cox, G. Z. Erwin, Luke Usher, T. S. Clarkson, jr., O. G. Howe.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 80 ; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 20), 23 ; Confirmed, 23 ; Burials, 13 ; Marriages, 8 ; Public Services, three every Sunday ; on all the Holy Days ; other days, daily through the year as a rule ; Holy Communion (public, 30, private, 20), 50 ; Communicants, last reported, 258, admitted, 22, received, 4, died, 6, removed, 41, present number, 237 ; Sunday School, teachers, 20, pupils, 160 ; Catechising, first Sunday in every month at the "Children's Church."

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$110.36 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,445.60 ; Sunday School, \$155.45 ; Deaf Mute Missions, \$25.54 ; Donation to Assistant Minister, \$118.00. Total, \$1,854.95.

Diocesan —Diocesan Missions, \$565.06 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$38.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$30.00 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$5.90 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$12.52 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$11.09 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$13.00 ; The Child's Hospital, \$45.00 ; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$9.35 ; Convocation of Ogdensburgh, \$10.16. Total, \$740.08.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$30.00 ; Foreign Missions, \$51.22 ; Indian Missions, \$145.12 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$2.68. Total, \$236.02.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,831.05.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.00.

Assistant Minister, \$650.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 350, rented.

*Remarks.*

The parish continues to be strong and united in all good works. Every one of the Missions connected with the parish is in a flourishing condition, and gives promise of growth and spiritual increase. One of these, S. Mary's, Colton, was duly organized in November.

The number of communicants as reported above, is considerably smaller than the number reported last year, as several formerly connected with the parish have been transferred to one or two of the stronger Missions.

The Rev. G. C. Pennell, S.T.D., has, in conjunction with the Rector, held in this parish, three meetings for the Deaf Mutes of Northern New York, during the past year. This mission has been greatly blessed of God, and supported liberally by the parish. It is hoped that the services in the sign-language may be continued here as before.

## ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ASSOCIATE MISSION.

Priest in charge. Rev. H. R. Howard.

Assistant Missionary. Rev. J. R. L. Nisbett.

## S. MARY'S MISSION, COLTON.

Warden. Richard Oates.

Treasurer. Pelopide Potter.

Samuel Benton.

Individuals (Adults, 22, Children, 13), 35; Baptisms, 3; Confirmed, 6; Public Services (Sundays, 15, Holy Day, 1, other days, 2), 18; Holy Communion, 3; Communicants, 17.

Offerings, \$3.01.

The Mission here was organized on November 9th, with every prospect of permanent success.

**S. ANDREW'S MISSION, NORWOOD.**

Warden. John Raymond.

Treasurer. Mob Valley.

Individuals (Adults, 27, Children, 10), 37; Baptisms, 1; Confirmed, 4; Public Services (Sundays, 16, Holy Day, 1, other day, 1), 18; Holy Communion, 3; Communicants, 16.

Offerings, \$47.03 (including Stipend of Missionary).

**HANAWA FALLS.**

Public Services (Sundays, 21, Holy Day, 1), 22; Confirmed, 1; Holy Communion, 1; Communicants.

**PARISHVILLE.**

Public Services, Sundays, 6; Individuals (Adults, 6, Children, 2), 8; Communicants, 6.

**WEST STOCKHOLM.**

Public Services, Sundays, 10.

**WEST POTSDAM.**

Public Services, Sundays, 4.

**GRACE CHURCH, NORFOLK.**

Rector. Rev. J. R. L. Nisbett.

Wardens. Sylvester Foord, M.D., Henry A. Wetmore.

Vestrymen. H. F. Allen, F. S. Goff, A. N. Thompson, M D., Cassius Robinson, F. H. Wetmore, L. R. Foord, N. C. Smith, E. Atwater.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 47, Children, 29), 76; Baptisms, Infants, 3; Confirmed, 3; Public Services (Sundays, 33, Holy Days, 4, other days, 29), 66; Holy Communion (public, 15, private, 2), 17; Communicants, last reported, 17; admitted, 5, received, 2, present number, 33; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 52.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$8.59; (these alms are generally used for special purposes, of which due notice is given;) Current Expenses, including Salary of Sexton, \$4; Sunday School, \$1.93; Rector's Stipend, \$75. Total, \$89.52.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$6; Salary of the Bishop, \$4. Total, \$10.

General.—St. Lawrence Clerical Union, \$1.15.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$100.67.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$250.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, free.

*Remarks.*

I entered upon the work of this parish on Sunday, February 18th, and began by holding alternate Sunday services and alternate week-day services (on Tuesdays). This continued, with little interruption or change, till November 15th, when I

began a series of special services, having these services and sermons each day from Wednesday to the following Monday. One result of them was, to discover several formerly unknown communicants, and a determination to form a Sunday School, which I did the following Sunday, November 25th, having thirteen scholars, which number has now increased to fifty-two, and I trust, with God's blessing, will continue as large and increase.

I had been pledged the sum of \$100 per annum for the past year, which at a duly called meeting of the vestry, at which I was elected Rector on December 4th, the Parish pledged me the sum of \$250 per annum.

**GRACE CHURCH, CANTON.**

Rector. Rev. John T. Pearce.

Wardens. J. Champlin Harison, sen., Wm. H. H. Sawyer, jr.

Vestrymen. Leslie W. Russell, Richard B. Ellsworth, Benjamin Lynde, Samuel C. Kerr, William G. Woodruff.

*Parochial.*

Families, 65 ; Individuals (Adults, 123, Children, 109), 232 ; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 10, publicly received into Christ's Church, 1), 13 ; Confirmed, 4 ; Burials, 2 ; Churching, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 68, Holy Days, 17, other days, 4), 89 ; Holy Communion (public, 14, private, 2), 16 ; Communicants, admitted, 4, received, 3, died, 1, removed 1, present number, 86 ; Sunday School, teachers, 11, pupils, 84 ; Catechising, the whole school, number of times, 10.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$94.71 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$776.31 ; Sunday School, \$8.05 ; Repairing chandelier, \$30 ; Sunday School catechisms, \$29.18 ; Ladies' Aid Society, \$80. Total, \$1,018.25.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$64.10 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$14 ; Diocesan Fund, \$14 ; Increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$5 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$4.04 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$3.34 ; The Child's Hospital, \$8.05 ; Convocation of Ogdensburgh, \$6.02. Total, \$118.55.

General:—Domestic Missions, \$14.53 ; Foreign Missions, \$5.68. Total, \$20.21.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,157.01.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$700.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250 ; number rented, 200, not rented, 50.

*Remarks.*

I took the temporary charge of the parish from Easter Sunday, April 1st, till July 1st. Then, having received a call to the rectorship of the same, I accepted and assumed the duties thereof on the twelfth Sunday after Trinity ; consequently, the above report will cover only from Easter Sunday, 1877, till January 1st, 1878.

Also, the sum of \$56.89 of the whole amount of the communion alms reported, is included in the various amounts reported for Sunday School and Diocesan objects.

The Sunday school offering of \$3.05 is the same as that reported for Child's Hospital.

**TRINITY CHURCH, GOUVERNEUR.**

Rector. Rev. Herbert C. Miller.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 85, Children, 53), 138 ; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 7), 9 ; Confirmed, 5 ; Burials, 3 ; Marriages, 2 ; Public Services (Sundays, 72, Holy Days, 31, other days, 80), 183 ; Holy Communion (public, 11, private, 2), 13 ; Communicants, last reported, 48, admitted, 7, received, 2, removed, 7, present

number, 50; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 45; Catechising, number of times, 25.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$24.36; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$677.87; Sunday School, \$34.93; Rectory, \$60. Total, \$797.16.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$54.76; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Diocesan Fund, \$15.75. Total, \$90.51.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$25.29; Foreign Missions, \$7; Indian Missions, \$8. Total, \$30.29.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$817.96.

Indebtedness, \$500.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$525.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, all free.

**S. THOMAS' MISSION, LAWRENCEVILLE.**

Rector. Rev. William Mason Cook.

Warden. William Kingston.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 76, Children, 14), 90; Baptism, Infant, 1; Confirmed, 2; Burial, 1; Marriage, 1; Public Services (Sundays, 56, Holy Days, 18, other days, 34), 108; Holy Communion (public, 11, private, 2), 13; Communicants, last reported, 29, admitted, 2, received, 2, removed, 1, present number, 37; Sunday School, teachers, 2, pupils, 22; Catechising, number of times, 2.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$30.87; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$41.80; Sunday School, \$1.25; Repairing, \$10; Ladies' Aid Society, \$51. Total, \$134.92.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$7.55; Diocesan Fund, or Assessment, \$3.88, or more; The Child's Hospital, \$1.25. Total, \$12.68. (Items under "Diocesan" were contributed at the Holy Communion, with the exception of that for Child's Hospital.)

Total Amount of Offerings, \$128.83.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$125.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175, all free.

*Remarks.*

The apparent discrepancy in the above figures, as given in detail and summed up, is owing to some items being necessarily returned twice. The "present number" of Communicants, and the "Total" of Offerings are very nearly, if not quite, exact.

**TRINITY CHAPEL, MORLEY.**

Missionary. Rev. Charles S. Olmsted.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 154, Children, 94), 248; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 22), 28; Confirmed, 14; Burials, 3; Public Services (Sundays, 96, Holy Days, 47, other days, 42), 185; Holy Communion (public, 9, private, 1), 10; Communicants, last reported, 23, present number, 44; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 72; Catechising, the Sunday School, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$9.65; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$20.94. Total, \$30.59.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$58.10; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00; Diocesan Fund, \$24.00; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$2.87; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$1.23; Repairs on Bishop's House, \$6.90; Convocation of Ogdensburg Fund, \$5.00; Theological Education, \$1.40. Total, \$105.50.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$9.04; Indian Missions, \$1.29; Centennial Relief Fund, For. and Dom. Missions, \$5.12. Total, \$15.45.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$151.54.

Number of Sitzings in the Chapel, 230, all free.

*Remarks.*

Eleven services have been held in Madrid during the year, which have been well attended. The people there have more than sustained the expenses of the work, and give promise of doing better another year.

SARATOGA COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, BALLSTON SPA.

Rector. Rev. Walter Delafield.

Wardens. James W. Horton, Benjamin F. Baker.

Vestrymen. George C. Beecher, S. C. Medbery, Andrew S. Booth, John Richards, John Scott, Wm. S. Wheeler, S. B. Medbery, Samuel Smith.

*Parochial.*

Families, 210; Baptisms (Adults, 13, Infants, 35), 48; Confirmed, 19; Burials, 22; Marriages, 21; Communicants, last reported, 334, admitted, 19, received, 9, died, 8, removed, 22, present number, 332; Sunday School, teachers, 14, pupils, 150; Parish School, teachers, 2, pupils, 20.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$101.73; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,887.08; Sunday School, \$134.69; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$387.75. Total, \$2,511.25.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$85.61; Salary of the Bishop, \$37.00; Diocesan Fund, \$36.00; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$13.48; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$25.65; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$14.36; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$10.84; the Child's Hospital, \$25.20; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$13.46. Total, \$261.60.

General.—General Theological Seminary, \$6.82; Domestic Missions, \$41.88; Foreign Missions, \$6.25; Indian Missions, \$48.00; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$33.37; Conversion of the Jews, \$3.90. Total, \$140.22.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,913.07.

Indebtedness, \$1,200.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

*Remarks.*

At S. John's Mission, East Line:

Families, 30; Baptisms (Adults, 9, Infants, 10), 19; Confirmed, 5.

Value of Church Property, \$1,500.

S. JOHN'S CHURCH, STILLWATER.

Rector. Rev. A. H. Stubbs.

Warden. Matthew Pack.

Vestrymen. B. H. Hall, Eugene Wood, Frank Wood, Joseph Moll, Jared Haight, E. B. Skinner, Eugene Judd, David Graham.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 43, Children, 7), 50; Confirmed, 2; Burials, 1; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 7), 111; Holy Communion, public, 13; Communicants, last reported, 9, admitted, 3, present number, 12; Sunday School, teachers, 1, pupils, 7; Catechising, number of children, 7, number of times, 8.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$7.73; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$53.23. Total, \$60.96.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$5.00; Salary of the Bishop, \$5.00; Diocesan Fund, \$5.00. Total, \$15.00.

General.—Domestic Missions, .50; Foreign Missions, .25; Indian Missions, .25; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$1.65. Total, \$2.65.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$78.61.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, none—he has proceeds of Mancius Endowment, \$460.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 100, free.

**S. LUKE'S CHURCH, MECHANICVILLE.**

Rector. Rev. A. H. Stubbs.

Wardens. W. C. Tallmadge, Philip Kirwood.

Vestrymen. Job Viall, Harvey Dwight, Isaiah Massey, Madison Hart, Joseph Knickerbacker, N. H. Ballou, M.D., Frank Garbutt, M.D.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 100, Children, 50), 150; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 3), 4; Confirmed, 5; Burials, 5; Marriages, 2; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 24, other days, 15), 143; Holy Communion (public, 12, private, 1), 13; Communicants, last reported, 47, admitted, 5, received, 7, died, 1, present number, 58; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 40; Catechising, number of children, 40, number of times, 25.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$68.44; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$455.52; Sunday School, \$4.00. Total, \$527.96.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$25.00; Salary of the Bishop, \$14.00; Diocesan Fund, \$5.00. Total, \$44.00.

General.—Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$8.45.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$580.41.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 100, free.

*Remarks.*

Two hundred and ninety-one sermons have been preached this year in the two parishes of Mechanicville and Stillwater. Services have also been held occasionally at Newtown, four miles from Mechanicville.

**BETHESDA CHURCH, SARATOGA SPRINGS.**

Rector. Rev. Joseph Carey.

Wardens. H. W. Burhans, A. B. Olmstead.

Vestrymen. James M. Marvin, William Bennett, William M. Searing, P. P. Wiggins, R. C. McEwen, William H. Hall, L. D. Griggs, F. G. Vaughan.

*Parochial.*

Families, 200 ; Individuals (Adults, 530, Children, 400), 930 ; Baptisms (Adults, 19, Infants, 40), 59 ; Confirmed, 55 ; Burials, 25 ; Marriages, 21 ; Churchings, 3 ; Public Services (Sundays, 112, Holy Days, 34, other days, 198), 344 ; Holy Communion (public, 31, private, 14), 45 ; Communicants, last reported, 325, admitted, 45, received, 8, died, 7, removed, 23, present number, 348 ; Sunday School, teachers (including the Home), 36, pupils (Home, 95, church, 274), 369 ; Catechising, number of children, 369, number of times, 24.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$297.29 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,748.60 ; Sunday School, \$135 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, including Rectory, \$475 ; Home of the Good Shepherd, \$300 ; Church debt, \$1,029.50. Total, \$5,985.29.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$200 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$40 ; Diocesan Fund, \$45 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$6.73 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$13 ; The Child's Hospital, \$60.95 ; Repairs and taxes on Bishop's house, \$25.50 ; Theological Education, \$40. Total, \$431.18.

General.—General Theological Seminary, \$8.58 ; Bishop Tuttle's School, \$12.76 ; S. Stephen's College, \$16.80. Total, \$38.14.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$6,454.71.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 850 ; number rented, 750 ; number free, 100.

*Remarks.*

During the year subscriptions and pledges for the Church debt to the amount of \$2,400 were secured, thus leaving only about \$3,000 to be provided for. As the report above shows, a little over a thousand dollars have been paid. The condition of the parish is encouraging in all respects.

**S. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, SCHUYLERVILLE.**

Rector. George W. Dean, S.T.D.

Wardens. C. H. Payne, M.D., John R. Preston, M.D.

Vestrymen. George Strover, Peter Davison, S. R. Lawrence, Richard Rastall, J. Hicks Smith, H. V. Shaw, John Knapton, Fred. McNaughton.

*Parochial.*

Families, 41 ; Individuals (Adults, 93, Children, 66), 159 ; Baptisms (Adults, 7, Infants, 6), 13 ; Confirmed, 6 ; Burials, 5 ; Marriages, 4 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 9, other days, 11), 124 ; Holy Communion (public, 15, private, 3), 18 ; Communicants, last reported, 54, admitted, 3, received, 5, removed, 3, present number, 59 ; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 55 ; Catechising, number of children, 25, number of times, 50.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$18.17 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$374.65 ; Sunday School, \$10.65 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$5 ; Student, \$5 ; Christmas Tree, \$17.95 ; Parish Aid Society, Church Fair, \$76.31. Total, \$807.73

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$18.11 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$5 ; Diocesan Fund, \$12 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$3 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.38 ; The Child's Hospital, \$1.09 ; Debt on Bishop's house, \$5.20. Total, \$47.78.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$2 ; Mission to the Jews, \$1.28. Total, \$3.28.



Total Amount of Offerings, \$858.79.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$450.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, free.

*Remarks.*

The Rector of S. Stephen's Church held service for about four months (from 18th March to 15th July, 1877), once on a Sunday, in S. Paul's Church, Greenwich, at the request of the members of the vestry there. He officiated at the funeral of the Senior Warden on the 16th of July, which he is sorry to observe seems to have been accepted by the rest of the vestry as the extinction also of the parish. In Schuylerville great assistance has been rendered by the Parish Aid Society. A fair was held, assisted also by persons in Greenwich, Bacon Hill and Northumberland, and over \$150 raised. In the parish school-house a night school was held for a short period last winter, and one session of a writing school in the summer.

**CALVARY CHURCH, BURNT HILLS.**

Rector. Rev. Reginald H. Barnes.

Wardens. Calvin S. Wheeler, Frederic Curtis.

Vestrymen. James P. Smith, Ebenezer R. Jones, Peter Bliss, Lewis H. Sears, Wm. H. Wheeler, Ami Van Vorst, Edward K. Wheeler, Sheldon D. Smith.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 103, Children, 57), 160; Baptisms (Adult, 1, Infants, 5), 6; Confirmed, 2; Burials, 4; Marriages, 2; Public Services (Sundays, 86, Holy Days, 4, other days, 16), 106; Holy Communion (public, 15, private, 1), 16; Sunday School, teachers, 11, pupils, 70; Catechising, number of children, about 50, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), \$17.20; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$473.50; Sunday School, \$45; Improvement of Church Property, \$50. Total, \$585.70.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$32.11; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$8.50; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$4.49; The Child's Hospital, \$4.67; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$4.52; Convocation of Troy, three missions, \$5. Total, \$72.29.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$3.50; Foreign Missions, \$2.17. Total, \$5.67.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$563.66.

**S. JOHN'S CHURCH, CONKLINGVILLE.**

Missionary. Rev. A. J. Brockway.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, Infants, 4; Confirmed, 12; Burials, 2; Marriage, 1; Public Services (Sundays, 38, other days, 5), 43.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$10.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY.**

**CHRIST CHURCH, DUANESBURGH.**

Rector. Rev. George L. Neide.

Wardens. B. M. Duane, Hugh McDougall.

Vestrymen. A. McDougall, H. P. Allen, James Wilkins, R. W. McDougall, Jas. D. Featherstonhaugh, George Matthews, George A. Snell, A. Van Pelt.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, Infants, 7; Confirmed, 7; Burial, 1; Marriage, 1; Public Services (Sundays, 90, Holy Days, 12, other days, 7), 109; Holy Communion, public, 21; Communicants, last reported, 77, admitted, 7, died, 1, removed, 3, present number, 80; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 65; Catechising, number of times, 34.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$10.57; Sunday School, \$12.50; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, for the erection of a Chapel, \$2,000. Total, \$2,023.07.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$19.20; Salary of the Bishop, \$35; Diocesan Fund, \$36; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$3.12; The Child's Hospital, \$12; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$25; Assessment on the Bishop's house, \$23.40. Total, \$153.72.

General.—Diocesan Missions, \$4.55.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,181.34.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

**S. GEORGE'S CHURCH, SCHENECTADY.**

Rector. Rev. William Payne, D.D.

Wardens. A. A. Van Vorst, S. W. Jackson.

Vestrymen. D. C. Smith, G. G. Maxon, W. H. Van Horne, George Curtis, J. E. Davis, J. A. DeRemer, W. H. Smith, T. W. McCamus.

*Parochial.*

Families, 175; Individuals, 500; Baptisms (Adult, 1, Infants, 18), 19; Confirmed, 16; Burials, 16; Marriages, 9; Public Services, Sundays, 104, all the Holy Days, and many other days; Holy Communion (public, 25, private, 2), 27; Communicants, last reported, 228, admitted, 10, received, 3, died, 9, removed, 15, present number, 217; Sunday School, teachers, 27, pupils, 160; Catechising, weekly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$125.36; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,531.60; Sunday School, \$25; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,201.70; Other Parochial Objects, \$30. Total, \$4,913.66.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$272.13; Salary of the Bishop, \$40; Diocesan Fund, \$45; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$24.83; The Child's Hospital, \$23; Assessment for repairs on Bishop's house, \$68.40; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$15. Total, \$488.36.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$32.17; Indian Missions, \$48.35; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$41; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$20. Total, \$141.72. Total Amount of Offerings, \$5,543.74.

**CHRIST CHURCH, SCHENECTADY.**

Rector. Rev. John H. Rogers.

Wardens. James D. Featherstonhaugh, Bartholomew O'Connell.

Vestrymen. Samuel T. Benedict, David Guy, William C. Baker, Wm. N. Butler, Isaac C. Van Vranken, James E. Curtis, Richard T. Butler.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adult, 1, Infants, 14), 15; Confirmed, 6; Burials, 7; Marriages, 4; Public Services, twice each Sunday, Holy Days, Morning Service on greater Festivals, other days, every Friday evening; Holy Communion (public, 15, private, 1), 16; Communicants, last reported, 70, admitted, 6, received, 11, died, 2, removed, 3, present number, 87; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 105; Catechising, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$35.55 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,124.15 ; Sunday School, \$24.23 ; Other Parochial objects, \$915. Total, \$2,098.93.

**Diocesan.**—Salary of the Bishop, \$20 ; Diocesan Fund, \$16 ; The Child's Hospital, \$3. Total, \$39.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,137.93.

**Indebtedness.**—Amount of mortgage on Church Property, \$1,500. The Parish has reduced the amount of the mortgage on the Church Property, during the past year, by \$500.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 180, free.

**SCHOHARIE COUNTY.**

**S. LUKE'S CHURCH, MIDDLEBURGH.**

**Rector.** Rev. James Meade Nisbett.

**Wardens.** W. H. Engle, Charles Bouck.

**Vestrymen.** Lyman Sanford, G. Acheson, Charles Bouck, F. Straub, J. Denison, W. H. Engle, G. Hyde, F. Efner.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 33, Children, 15), 48 ; Baptisms, Infants, 4 ; Public Services (Sundays, 64, Holy Days, 3), 67 ; Holy Communion (public, 9, private, 5), 14 ; Communicants, last reported, 12, received, 3, present number, 15 ; Sunday School, teachers, 2, pupils, 25 ; Catechising, number of times, 33.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$8.15 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$56.07. Total, \$64.22.

**Indebtedness.**—Amount of Rector's Salary unpaid for 1876, \$164.08 ; Amount unpaid to Sept. 1877, \$168.93. Total, \$333.01.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, free.

*Remarks.*

I resigned the parish of Middleburgh in September, 1877, for the following reasons : first, that the stipulated stipend was not paid by the parishioners ; and secondly, having recently suffered from ill health, the Bishop very kindly made an arrangement to enable me to be near my son, and I came with my family to reside with him, since which time I have assisted in some of the services.

**TRINITY CHURCH, SHARON SPRINGS.**

**Rector.** Rev. J. W. Paige.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 8, Infants, 4), 12 ; Confirmed, 19 ; Burials, 4 ; Marriage, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 107, Holy Days, 4, other days, 10), 121 ; Holy Communion (public, 13, private, 3), 16 ; Communicants, admitted, 19, received, 2, died, 2, removed, 3, present number, 47 ; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 98 ; Catechising, number of children, 98, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$62.50.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$16.08 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$20. Total, \$36.08.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$750.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175, free.

*Remarks.*

The absence of the treasurer renders a complete report of the Parish impossible.

## WARREN COUNTY.

## MESSIAH CHURCH, GLENS FALLS.

Rector. Rev. Russell A. Olin.

Wardens. William Aug. Wait, Hiram J. Rockwell.

Vestrymen. Leonard G. McDonald, Louis P. Juvet, Geo. H. Bassinger, Daniel Peck, I. J. Buswell, Roger F. Haviland, Henry Crandall, Stephen De Forest Hopkins.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 21, Infants, 28), 49 ; Confirmed, 39 ; Burials, 11 ; Marriages, 6 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 25, other days, 87, at Harrisena, 6), 222 ; Holy Communion (public, 14, private, 7), 21 ; Communicants, last reported, 170, admitted, 38 ; received, 6, died, 1, removed, 3, present number, 212 ; Sunday School, teachers, 21, pupils, 176, at Harrisena, pupils, 20, teachers, 2 ; Catechising in Sunday School, number of times, 45.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$33.34 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,846.15 ; Sunday School, \$151.56 ; Ladies' Society, \$163.00 ; Rectory Fund, \$6.60. Total, \$2,200.65.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$135.55 ; Diocesan Fund, \$24.00\* ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$8.99 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, .50 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$11.53 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$6.56 ; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$16.12. Total, \$179.25.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$11.50 ; Foreign Missions, \$7.21. Total, \$18.71.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,397.61.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,400 and Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 280, free.

At Harrisena, 100, free.

*Remarks.*

\*This sum (\$24.00) is to be deducted from the Current Expenses and added to the total of Diocesan Offerings.

## CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, WARRENSBURGH.

Rector. Rev. William M. Ogden.

Assistant. Rev. Augustus Prime.

Wardens. F. O. Burhans, H. Griffing.

Vestrymen. George A. Schneider, Moses Sutton, H. B. Hayes, Alphonso Young, Charles Braley, R. J. Whitby, S. T. Stevens, J. T. Outterson.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 15), 20 ; Confirmed, 26 ; Burials, 4 ; Public Services (Sundays, 233, Holy Days, 65, other days, 39), 337 ; Holy Communion (public, 65, private, 2), 67 ; Communicants, last reported, 79, admitted, 12, received, 10, died, 1, removed, 2, present number, 98 ; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 94.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$10.00 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,073.95 ; Sunday School, \$61.33. Total, \$1,145.28.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$100.00 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$32.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$24.00 ; the Child's Hospital, \$8.00 ; Troy Convocation, \$4.17. Total, \$168.17.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$7.14 ; Indian Missions, \$2.00. Total, \$9.14.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,322.59.

Diocesan Missions, Christ, Pottersville, \$3.26 ; Good Shepherd, Chester, \$13.93 ; Schroon Lake, \$8.00 ; Holy Cross, \$100.00. Total, \$125.19.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.00 ; Assistant, \$800.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 120, free.

*Remarks.*

The Report includes in one the Statistics, Services, etc., of the Mission Stations of Chester, Pottersville, Schroon and Millbrook. During months of July and August I was assisted by Rev. Mr. Westover, Deacon, and several of the city and neighboring Clergy. The Rev. Mr. Prime's engagement dates from November 15th, 1877. At Chester, by the generosity principally of Miss Trueman and Mrs. Russell, a neat chapel has been fitted up and furnished with reed organ, etc., and a Sunday School has been established.

At Schroon, by the generosity of Col. Clarke and family, a lot and house has been procured which will be altered to serve for a chapel early in the spring.

**S. MARY'S CHURCH, LUZERNE.**

Missionary. Rev. A. J. Brockway.

*Parochial.*

Families, 9 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 2), 3 ; Confirmed, 5 ; Burials, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 40, other days, 8), 48 ; Holy Communion, public, 4 ; Communicants, last reported, 12, admitted, 6, present number, 18 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 25.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$54.88 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$426.75 ; Sunday School, \$10. Total, \$491.63.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$33.14 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.25, Diocesan Fund, \$6 ; The Child's Hospital, \$1.25 ; S. John's Church, Conklingville, \$39.50 ; Convocation of Troy, \$2. Total, \$88.14.

General.—Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$57.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$579.77.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300, all free.

**WASHINGTON COUNTY.**

**ZION CHURCH, SANDY HILL.**

Rector. Rev. C. T. Whittemore.

*Parochial.*

Families, 57 ; Baptisms. Infants, 8 ; Confirmed, 1 ; Burials, 7 ; Marriage, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 32, Holy Days, 1, other days, 10), 43 ; Holy Communion (public, 4, private, 2), 6 ; Communicants, admitted, 1, received, 3, died, 4, removed, 2, present number, 126 ; Sunday School, teachers, 13, pupils, 69.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$6.50 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$956.13 ; Sunday School, \$14.68 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Prop-

erty, \$62.57; Interest on Debt, \$70.12; Other Parochial Objects, \$21. Total, \$1,131.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$22; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Diocesan Fund, \$15; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$12; East Line Station, \$14.01. Total, \$93.01.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$17.33.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,241.34.

Indebtedness, Note against Vestry, \$300.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300, all free.

#### TRINITY CHURCH, GRANVILLE.

Last Rector. Rev. T. B. Berry.

Wardens. Palmer D. Everts, J. S. Warren.

Vestrymen. R. C. Betts, I. Thompson, A. Wilcox, George Henry, George Tobey.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 23; Burials, 2; Marriages, 8; Public Services, (Sundays, 67, Holy Days, 16, other days, 20), 103; Holy Communion, public, 14; Communicants, last reported, 82, received, 1, removed, 1, present number, 32; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 40: Catechising, number of children, 40, every Sunday.

#### *Remarks.*

This report includes my work in Granville from January 1st to September 16th, inclusive, at which time (Sept. 16th) I resigned the rectorship of the parish. The report is necessarily not complete, not having sufficient data by me from which to complete it. Besides the work in Granville, I held regular services in the Military Academy at North Granville, monthly; and monthly services in Troy for Deaf Mutes.

#### S. JAMES' CHURCH, FORT EDWARD.

Rector. Rev. Fenwick M. Cookson.

Wardens. P. C. Hitchcock, Walter Rogers.

Vestrymen. R. Ruggles, T. R. Wade, F. B. Davis, Levi Olmsted, Geo. Bradley, James Kinne, G. W. Little, Ernest Elmore.

#### *Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 14, Infants, 16), 30; Confirmed, 23; Burials, 4; Marriages, 2; Public Services (Sundays, 100, Holy Days, 20, other days, 76), 196; Holy Communion (public, 20, private, 3), 23; Communicants, last reported, 131, admitted, 22; received, 4, removed, 1, present number, 156; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 104; Catechising, number of children, 104, weekly.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,390; Sunday School, \$38.70; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,965.03; For the Poor, \$18.50. Total, \$3,462.23.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$90.44; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Diocesan Fund, \$30; The Child's Hospital, \$15.06; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$55. Total, \$220.50.

General.—For Education of an Indian Boy by Sunday School and two friends, \$95.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,777.73.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300, free.

S. PAUL'S CHURCH, SALEM.

Rector. Rev. John H. Houghton.

Wardens. James Gibson. George B. McCartee.

Vestrymen. John M. Williams, Solomon W. Russell, Frederick Kegler, Albert R. Broughton, Frederick Linsenbarth, Daniel B. Cole, James Gibson, jr., John D. Faxon.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 90, Children, 110), 200 ; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 29), 33 ; Confirmed, 20 ; Burials, 5 ; Marriages, 2 ; Churchings, 2 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 40, other days, 156), 300 ; Holy Communion (public, 32, private, 3), 35 ; Communicants, last reported, 47, admitted, 14, died, 4, removed, 7, present number, 54 ; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 70 ; Catechising, number of children, 50, number of times, 20.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$184.61 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$923.71 ; Sunday School, \$100 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,288.60 ; Other Parochial objects, \$728.59. Total, \$3,225.51.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$123.85 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$20 ; Diocesan Fund, \$22.50 ; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$15 ; Increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$3.43 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$3.44 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$3.44 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$3.43 ; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$27.81 ; Convocation, \$12.77. Total, \$231.87.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$64.51 ; Foreign Missions, \$10 ; Indian Missions, \$5 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$10 ; Ministerial Education at St. Stephen's College, \$72.19. Total, \$161.76.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,619.14.

Indebtedness, \$1,000.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$750.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250 ; number rented, 200 ; number free, 50.

*Remarks.*

All Candidates for Confirmation admitted to the Communion have, in this Parish, six months' preparation in weekly and semi-weekly lectures. The result is even now apparent in conscientious attendance and churchly behavior on the part of all.

TRINITY CHURCH, WHITEHALL.

Rector. Rev. James E. Hall.

Wardens. James A. Conery, G. Thomas Hall.

Vestrymen. J. H. Greenough, H. W. Dickenson, Jeremiah Adams, E. W. Hall, W. F. Bascom, James Adams, A. H. Tanner, H. G. Burleigh.

*Parochial.*

Families, 95 ; Individuals (Adults, 232, Children, 120), 352 ; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 14), 20 ; Confirmed, 12 ; Burials, 7 ; Marriage, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, other days, 71), 175 ; Holy Communion (public, 22, private, 1), 23 ; Communicants, last reported, 80, admitted, 10, received, 5, removed, 1, present number, 94 ; Sunday School, teachers, 15, pupils, 110 ; Catechising, number of children, 75, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$77.45 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,250 ; Sunday School, \$51.15 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$417.24 ; Old Debts, \$871.30. Total, \$2,627.14.



Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions (\$40 from Alms at Holy Communion, as above), \$50; Salary of the Bishop, \$14; Diocesan Fund (\$18 for 1876, \$27 for 1877), \$45; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$1.50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.81; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$1.82; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$1.50; The Child's Hospital, \$3.25; Society for Promoting Religion and Learning, \$5; Assessment to raise mortgage on Bishop's house, \$26.70. Total, \$160.58.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$15; Mission to the Jews, \$1.45. Total, \$16.45.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,804.17.

*Remarks.*

On the Feast of the Ascension, I officiated in S. John's Church, Essex: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. On Sunday, the seventeenth after Trinity, I said Morning Prayer, Litany, and Ante-Communion, and preached at the house of Mr. James Chamberlain, Sabbath Day Point, Lake George, and addressed a Sunday School of over forty children and adults, which Mr. C. has organized and carried on himself. Great credit is due him therefor; the more so, that by the prospect of new buildings going up in the vicinity, without doubt a Mission can soon be organized and a Church builded.

**S. LUKE'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.**

Rector. Rev. J. Sydney Kent.

Wardens. Henry C. Day, Robert Davis.

Vestrymen. William H. Hoyt, J. Fenimore Niver, M.D., Charles T. Hawley, B. Morgan Deuel, Thomas Le Grys.

*Parochial.*

Families, 25; Individuals (Adults, 60, Children, 52), 112; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 9), 13; Confirmed, 6; Marriage, 1; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 28, other days, 12), 144; Holy Communion, public, 19; Communicants, last reported, 54, admitted, 6, received 3, removed, 7, left the Church, 3, present number, 53; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 51; Catechising, number of children, 30, number of times, 25.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$688.50; Sunday School, \$28.46; Bell, \$230; Church furnishing, \$50; Christmas tree, \$37. Total, \$1,033.96.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$23; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$7.50; Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$13.20; Debt on Bishop's House, \$5. Total, \$54.70.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$14.17.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,102.83.

Indebtedness.—Organ, \$175; Rectory Lot, \$470.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$350.

Sittings in the Church, all free.

*Remarks.*

During the year two grants have been made to this Parish: One of 75 Prayer Books from the Albany Bible and Prayer Book Society, and one of \$50 from the Rev. Frank L. Norton (Troy) towards expense of painting the outside of the Church.

**REPORT OF THE CHURCH HOME IN THE CITY OF TROY.**

*To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany:*

The Church Home in the city of Troy respectfully reports, that it continues to occupy the building which it owns, and which is wholly unencumbered, on the north-east corner of Seventh street and Broadway. There are ten inmates. The matron is Mrs. Mary A. Putnam. Since our last report, one of our trustees, Mr. E. J. Cridge, has resigned; and Mr. H. C. Lockwood, one of the original corporators, who had been temporarily absent from the city, has been chosen in his place. The receipts of the Home from gifts, subscriptions, and offerings during the year have been \$1,634.66. The permanent fund amounts to a little more than \$7,000.

By order of the Board of Trustees.

JOS. W. FULLER,

*President.*

TROY, *January 15th*, 1878.

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**PERSONAL REPORTS.**

*To the Rt. Rev. WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S.T.D. :*

*Rt. Rev. and dear Bishop*—From the beginning of the Conventional year of 1877, until Easter, I was confined to my house by sickness. My clerical brethren, Rev. F. M. Cookson, of Fort Edward, and Rev. R. A. Olin, of Glens Falls, very kindly supplied the Parish with services. At Easter, I felt constrained, by long continued inability, to resign the Rectorship of the Parish, after having held it for thirty-one years. During the summer, I performed a few services in Vermont, and since my return home, I have assisted the present Incumbent of the Parish, the Rev. Mr. Whittemore, somewhat, in his services on Sundays. I am at present engaged in teaching a small school.

Most respectfully yours,

SAMUEL B. BOSTWICK.

SANDY HILL, N. Y., *January 11th*, 1878.

*To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany:*

The Rev. J. Hutchings Brown respectfully reports, that he remains in the discharge of his duties as Chaplain of the U. S. Naval Hospital, Navy Yard, New York. He has celebrated the Holy Communion 12 times; Baptized 2 Adults and 6 Infants; Presented three persons for Confirmation; Admitted four persons to the Holy Communion; has said Prayers 150 times, and preached 70 Sermons; he has attended six Funerals, and has a weekly Bible Instruction; he has rendered occasional assistance to his brethren of New York and Brooklyn.

NAVY YARD, NEW YORK, *January*, 1878.

*Right Reverend Father in God.*—I beg to report, that during the Convention year, besides my daily routine of duties at the Cathedral chapel, I have officiated at twenty-four services, as follows: nine mission services at Slingerlands and West Troy; ten services in the parishes of this city and Troy, on occasions of the illness or absence of the Rectors; three celebrations of the Holy Communion in parishes under the charge of Deacons; one private celebration and one funeral.

EDWIN COAN,

*Canon and Precentor of the Cathedral.*

ALBANY, *January 8*, 1878.

BERKELEY DIV. SCHOOL, *December 24, 1877.*

*To the Rt. Rev. Wm. C. Doane, S.T.D. :*

Since June the 24th of this year, the day on which I was ordained to the Diaconate, my report is as follows :

From the first Sunday in July until the first Sunday in September, I had temporary charge of Grace church, Albany ; on the four Sundays following, I officiated in different parishes in the Dioceses of Albany and Central New York ; from the first Sunday in October until the present day, I have been engaged in study at the Berkeley Div. School, and have had charge of Grace church, Broad Brook, Conn., to which I went on Saturday evenings, and returned on Monday mornings. I have officiated at one hundred and three services, preached thirty-four times, baptized five children and one adult, and buried nine persons.

Faithfully yours in Christ,  
ROBERT GRANGER.

DIocese of ALBANY,  
OGDENSBURG, N. Y., *January 12, 1878.*

*To the Rt. Rev. Wm. CROSWELL DOANE, S.T.D. :*

The Rev. G. C. Griswold desires respectfully to report, that since his recent entrance into this Diocese, he has carried on the work of S. John's High School, as Master of the same, and also has officiated on all Sundays at the Parish Church as assistant, besides holding several services at the adjacent Mission of Lisbon.

SCHENECTADY, *January 6, 1878.*  
EPIPHANY.

*My dear Bishop :*

First wishing you many happy New Years, I have to say that I continue, as for some years past, my work in Union College, and to assist my friend, the Rector of S. George's, and, in his absence, to take charge of the Church-services, and the occasional duty of the Parish.

Beside such offices, I have, with the Rector's consent, baptized an adult who sought that ministry of me, as the result of counsel given nearly twenty years ago.

I am, very faithfully and truly yours,  
ROBERT T. S. LOWELL.

GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY,  
NEW YORK, *December 17, 1877.*

*Right Reverend Father :*

I have the honor to report, that since last Easter I have been pursuing my studies with the present Middle Class, in the General Theological Seminary, and on Sundays have been engaged in Choir, Sunday School and Mission work, for the Church of the Transfiguration, under the Rev. Geo. H. Houghton, D.D.

Your obedient servant,  
ALEX. McMILLAN.

*To the Rt. Rev. Wm. CROSWELL DOANE, S.T.D., Bishop of Albany.*

GRASS VALLEY, CALIFORNIA, *January 2, 1878.*

*Rt. Rev. Father in God :*

My continued improvement in health, in this salubrious climate, has (with God's blessing) enabled me to discharge the following Clerical duties during the past Conventional year :

Sunday Services, in Grass Valley, 96 ; in San Jose, Cal., 8 ; on other days, 16 ; Holy Communion, public, 13, private, 1 ; Marriages, 9 ; Baptisms, Adult, 1, Infants, 25 ; Burials, 16 ; Offerings at Holy Communion, \$68.25.

All which I beg respectfully to report.

EDWARD PIDSLEY.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany.

STOCKPORT, N. Y., *January 14th*, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S.T.D.,

*Bishop of Albany :*

During the past year, I have assisted the Rector of the Church of S. John the Evangelist, the Rev. George Fisher, in the several Services of the Church.

Respectfully yours,

W. BENJAMIN REYNOLDS.

The Rev. W. A. Rich, missionary for Cranberry Lake, and parts adjacent, residing at Canton, St. Lawrence county, was on duty in his missionary field, from the 12th to the 22d of March, from the 14th to the 23d of April, from the 18th of July to the 27th of August, and from October 1st to November 13th. While there he, as his custom is, gathered the children together on the Lord's day, generally twice, and also on Saturday afternoons, and gave them such instruction as seemed suited to them, especially in singing the hymns of the church.

CLEVELAND, O., *January 1*, 1878.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany.

BALTIMORE, *January 11*, 1878.

To the Rt. Reverend WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S.T.D.,

*Bishop of Albany :*

*My dear Bishop*—I have had temporary work during the last year in several Dioceses. For nearly four months, I had charge of a mission parish in the Diocese of New York. I have held 135 services, preached 74 times, celebrated the Holy Eucharist 10 times (3 in private for the sick), and assisted at 5 celebrations, baptized 1 adult, 2 infants, solemnized 1 marriage and officiated at 3 funerals.

With great respect, your faithful son,

R. B. VAN KLECK, JR.

GENEVA, SWITZ., *January 1*, 1878.

*Right Rev'd and dear Sir :*

Having received a call from the vestry of Emmanuel church in this city, to become their rector, at my visit in June, I had accepted it, with your approval, and that of the Bishop in charge of the foreign churches. I returned, therefore, on the 22d of September, to enter on my duties, which I have continued to discharge from Sunday to Sunday. The parish was organized by you in 1873, and services have been maintained without cessation since that time. The congregation has steadily increased, and has felt strong enough to build a church, which is to be ready for us by Easter. At present, our services are limited to Morning Prayer and bi-monthly celebrations on Sundays, as we can find no place for evening service. My report for the time in which I have been here, embraces 17 services, 8 communions, 2 funerals, and a class for biblical instruction on Sunday evenings.

From the number of Americans who come here, this is, in one sense, a missionary work, which demands the aid and prayers of our brethren at home. I have no doubt that we are remembered in your intercessions, and those of my beloved associates in the Cathedral of All Saints, to whom I beg to send my most cordial greetings.

Very affectionately and faithfully your son in Christ,

MAUNSELL VAN RENSSELAER, D.D., etc.,

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*Rector of Emmanuel Church, Geneva.*

To the Right Rev'd the Bishop of Albany.

CHRIST CHURCH RECTORY.

HACKENSACK, N. J., *September 18, 1877.*

*Rt. Rev. Father in God :*

I take this first opportunity since my return home, to report to you the services I held in your Diocese, as requested in your letter of permission to officiate therein. On Sunday, August 19th, I celebrated the Holy Eucharist in the parlor of the Wright House, at Schroon Lake; six persons communed. August 26th, alone, I said the Morning Prayer and Litany, at the foot of Dix peak on Elk Lake. On September 9th, I said Morning Prayer, Litany, and Ante-Communion, in camp on Birch Island, Upper Saranac Lake—seven persons were in the congregation.

Your faithful son in Christ,

WM. WELLES HOLLEY.

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(D.)

## LIST OF PARISHES IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY, WITH THE DATES OF THEIR ADMISSION.

### ALBANY COUNTY.

S. Peter's, Albany, 1787; Trinity, Rensselaerville, 1811; S. Paul's, Albany, 1829; S. Paul's Chapel, Albany; S. John's, Cohoes, 1831; Trinity, West Troy, 1834; Trinity, Albany, 1840; Grace, Albany, 1846; Holy Innocents, Albany, 1850; S. Mark's, Green Island, 1867; Cathedral of All Saints, Albany, 1874.

### CLINTON COUNTY.

Trinity, Plattsburgh, 1830; Christ, Rouses Point, 1853; S. John's, Champlain, 1853.

### COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Christ, Hudson, 1794; All Saints Chapel, Hudson; S. John's, Stockport, 1845; S. Barnabas' Chapel, Stottville; S. Paul's, Kinderhook, 1851; S. John's, Copake, 1853; Trinity, Claverack, 1856.

### DELAWARE COUNTY.

S. Peter's, Hobart, 1796; S. John's, Delhi, 1822; Christ, Walton, 1831; S. Paul's, Franklin, 1866; Christ, Deposit, 1871.

### ESSEX COUNTY.

Of the Cross, Ticonderoga, 1840; S. John's, Essex, 1853; S. Paul's, Keeseville, 1853; Christ, Port Henry, 1873.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY.**

S. Mark's, Malone, 1831 ; S. Peter's, Brush's Mills, 1870 ; S. John's, Chateaugay, 1875.

**FULTON COUNTY.**

S. John's, Johnstown, 1796 ; Redeemer, Northampton, 1871.

**GREENE COUNTY.**

S. Luke's, Catskill, 1801 ; Christ, Coxsackie, 1806 ; Trinity, Athens, 1806 ; S. Paul's, Oak Hill, 1816 ; Christ, Greenville, 1825 ; Trinity, Windham, 1826 ; Calvary, Cairo, 1832.

**HERKIMER COUNTY.**

Trinity, Fairfield, 1807 ; Grace, Norway, 1819 ; Emmanuel, Little Falls, 1823 ; Christ, Herkimer, 1854 ; S. Augustine's, Ilion, 1870.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY.**

S. Ann's, Amsterdam, 1836 ; Zion, Fonda, 1867.

**OTSEGO COUNTY.**

Zion, Morris, 1793 ; S. Luke's, Richfield, 1803 ; S. Matthew's, Unadilla, 1810 ; Christ, Cooperstown, 1812 ; Christ, Butternuts, 1834 ; Immanuel, Otego, 1836 ; S. Timothy's, Westford, 1839 ; S. Mark's, Garrattsville, 1843 ; Grace, Cherry Valley, 1846 ; S. John's, Richfield Springs, 1850 ; S. John's, Portlandville, 1869 ; Christ, West Burlington, 1871 ; S. Paul's, East Springfield, 1871 ; S. James', Oneonta, 1877.

**RENSSELAER COUNTY.**

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**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY.**

S. John's, Ogdensburgh, 1820 ; S. Paul's, Waddington, 1824 ; Christ, Morristown, 1833 ; Trinity, Potsdam, 1835 ; Grace, Canton, 1836 ; Grace, Norfolk, 1844 ; Trinity, Gouverneur, 1869 ; S. John's, Massena, 1870 ; S. Luke's, Lisbon, 1871.

**SARATOGA COUNTY.**

Christ, Ballston Spa, 1787 ; S. John's, Stillwater, 1796 ; S. Paul's, Charlton, 1805 ; Grace, Waterford, 1810 ; S. Luke's, Mechanicville, 1830 ; Bethesda, Saratoga Springs, 1830 ; S. Stephen's, Schuylerville, 1846 ; Calvary, Burnt Hills, 1850.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY.**

Christ, Duanesburgh, 1789 ; S. George's, Schenectady, 1792 ; Christ, Schenectady, 1869.

**WARREN COUNTY.**

Messiah, Glens Falls, 1840 ; S. Paul's Chapel, Harrisena ; S. James', Caldwell, 1855 ; Holy Cross, Warrensburgh, 1865 ; S. Mary's, Luzerne, 1867.

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All Saints, Barnhardt's Island ; S. Andrew's, Norwood.

**WARREN COUNTY.**

Good Shepherd, Chester.

**PARISHES NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.****COLUMBIA COUNTY.**

S. Luke's, Clermont, incorporated July 12, 1859 ; Church of our Saviour, New Lebanon, incorporated May, 1871.

**HERKIMER COUNTY.**

Memorial Church, Middleville (not organized).

**RENSSELAER COUNTY.**

Holy Cross, Troy ; Free Church of the Ascension, Troy ; Free Church of the Epiphany, East Albany.

**SARATOGA COUNTY.**

S. John's, Conklingville.

**SCHOHARIE COUNTY.**

S. Luke's, Middleburgh ; Trinity Church, Sharon Springs.

**WARREN COUNTY.**

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**WASHINGTON COUNTY.**

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S. John's Church, Copake,  
S. John's Church, Essex,  
Church of the Redeemer, Northampton,  
Christ Church, Butternuts,  
S. Mark's Church, Garrattsville,

Christ Church, West Burlington,  
S. John's Church, Massena,  
S. Luke's Church, Lisbon,  
S. Paul's Church, Charlton,  
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**PLAN OF ORGANIZATION OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY  
OF THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY, AUXILIARY TO THE  
GENERAL BOARD OF MISSIONS.**

**ARTICLE I.**

This Society shall be called The Albany Auxiliary to the General Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

**ARTICLE II.**

The object of this Society shall be to promote, among the Churchmen of the Diocese of Albany, a larger knowledge of, and more practical sympathy with, the various departments of the Missionary work of the Church.

**ARTICLE III.**

While, according to the principle enunciated in the Constitution of the General Society, all members of the Church within this Diocese shall be considered members of this Society, only those persons who shall express their desire to their Rector, or to the Secretary of the Society, shall be enrolled as members.

**ARTICLE IV.**

The officers of this Society shall consist of a President, Secretary, Treasurer, and six Vice-Presidents, three of whom shall be clergymen, and three lay communicants of the Diocese. All the officers shall constitute the Executive Committee.

**ARTICLE V.**

The Bishop of the Diocese shall be ex-officio President. The other officers may be elected by ballot, at each annual Missionary Congress.

**ARTICLE VI.**

In the absence of the President, the Vice-Presidents shall preside in the order of their names.

**ARTICLE VII.**

It is recommended that in each parish of the Diocese, a Missionary Society be organized, a report from which shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the Diocesan Auxiliary, at least one week before the meeting of the annual Missionary Congress.

## ARTICLE VIII.

An annual Missionary Congress shall be held in the month of May, of which Congress, every clergyman, canonically resident in the Diocese, shall be a member, and to which each parish may send one delegate, and an additional delegate for every fifty communicants. The arrangements of the Annual Congress shall be made by the Executive Committee.

## ARTICLE IX.

It is recommended that, at each meeting of the several Convocations, one evening shall be devoted to the presentation of the claims of the various departments of the missionary work.

## ARTICLE X.

In every parish of the Diocese, there shall be at least once a year, a special service for the purpose of invoking God's blessing upon the missionary work of the Church, and diffusing information concerning the several departments of the work.

## ARTICLE XI.

This plan of organization may be amended at any meeting of the Association.

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## PLAN OF PAROCHIAL ORGANIZATION.

The Executive Committee of the Albany Auxiliary, as requested by a meeting of the members held in Troy, present the following outline of Parochial organization to the Rectors and Missionaries of the Diocese:

A. Recognizing the primary duty to sustain and extend Missions in the Diocese, they recommend that what is known as the envelope system, with or without pledges, now so general through the Diocese, be still used exclusively for Diocesan Missions.

B. That a simple organization be effected in each Parish, of which the Rector shall be the President, to be called the Parish Missionary Organization of ———.

It shall concern itself with all missionary interests—Foreign, Domestic and Diocesan. It shall consist of all persons giving in their names to the Rector, as willing to promote a general missionary interest, by influence, and offerings, and prayers; and its Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected or appointed early in the Advent Season of each year. The meetings shall be quarterly, if possible on the fifth Sunday evenings of such months as have five Sundays; e.g., in A.D. 1878, March, June, September and December. At these meetings extracts from the missionary publications of the General Board, or original papers, shall be read, or addresses shall be made, and an offertory taken; to be distributed, by order of the Organization, among the recognized departments of the Church's missionary work.

The Secretary shall be charged with the duty of obtaining and distributing the missionary publications of the Board; sending to the respective Treasurers in

New York any moneys gathered by offertory or otherwise, for the Funds of which they are Treasurers; receiving once a quarter, and forwarding, gifts from the Sunday Schools, collected under the plan known as "the Class Penny;" or under a plan by which children are taught and helped to give to missions, and reporting yearly, before the first of May, to the Secretary of the Diocesan Society.

C. 1st. An offertory to be taken in every Parish, at least once a year for Domestic Missions, either on Christmas Day or a Sunday in Advent, and at least once a year for Foreign Missions, either on Easter Day or on some Sunday in the Epiphany Season; and on the fifth Sunday evenings of each month having five Sundays, as before provided.

2nd. The system known as "the Class Penny" to be introduced into the Sunday Schools (the plan of which is sent with this), and the money so collected to be evenly divided between the Foreign and Domestic Committees, unless otherwise directed by the givers.

3d. The Rectors to encourage the giving on principle to all the objects recognized by the Church, while acknowledging the right and propriety of each person giving most generously to the object which most interests him.

### SUGGESTIONS TO SUPERINTENDENTS AND TEACHERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE CLASS MISSIONARY PENNY.

The thought underlying this movement is less financial than it is educational. The effort is not so much to get a little more money for Missions, though that is something, as it is to teach the children of the Church, as a whole, that they have a distinct and personal connection with her missionary work.

The advantages of the plan seem to be three-fold:

I. The amount which will come from any individual is so small that it can hardly be a burden to any. For the same reason, it is not likely to interfere with any existing work. Therefore the scheme would seem thoroughly practical. It may be that a larger sum, in many instances, can be as easily raised; but it is thought the system will take wider root, and more good in the aggregate be done, by fixing the amount to be pledged at the smallest possible point.

II. By engaging, or trying to engage, all our Sunday Schools throughout the Union in one common enterprise, and by making the scholars themselves the means of propagating the movement, the children are made to realize the unity of the Church, and to feel the strength and courage which come from a sense of fellowship with so large a body. To foster this idea, and to increase the interest of the children by giving them something to do in behalf of Missions, it is suggested that the letters from one school to another should be copied in manuscript by scholars, and signed by such scholars as Missionary Correspondents.

III. Evidently, one penny can be brought by only one person. A whole class cannot bring the fractions of a penny. The duty of providing the Missionary Penny, therefore, on any given Sunday, should be laid on the different individuals of each class, in rotation. By this means the whole responsibility for a given day is thrown clearly upon one, and the honor of the whole class rests upon that one. Because this plan, once entered into by a class, should be looked upon in the light of a pledge; and the sense of honor involved in the punctual redemption of a pledge, may, it is believed, be brought powerfully to bear in grounding the lesson of remembrance firmly in the minds of the children. All this will be lost if a class is allowed to pay in full for the year in one payment. Therefore every means should rather be employed to make the duty of thus contributing to Missions a weekly recurring obligation upon some individual in each class. It is believed that a few years of effort in this direction would train a generation of people

accustomed to think and act in behalf of the mission work of the Church. If this be so, the object so much to be sought for, of broadening the basis which sustains the fabric of our Missions, would be materially advanced.

For all these reasons, your coöperation in this effort is earnestly requested.

Questions of detail in the method of collecting should, of course, remain with each school. But the money so obtained should, by all means, be kept separate from the ordinary offerings of the classes. It is proposed that all the schools engaging in this movement should send the amounts so raised on next Epiphany to a Treasurer to be appointed by the Bishop, due notice of whose appointment will be given later. The funds so raised will be equally divided between the different branches of missionary work, General and Diocesan.

We are glad to be able to state that the spirit and thought of this movement have been approved by the Bishop, and that he bids the effort God-speed.

## ( F. )

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Page 57, the quotation marks at the end of line 17 should be at the end of line 19.

Page 62, line 12, "Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of" should be "Report of."

Page 63, line 19, "on motion" should be "on his motion."

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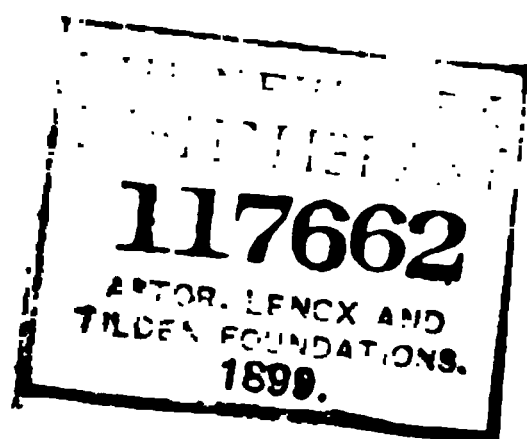
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*Cathedral of All Saints, Albany, N. Y.,  
Tuesday, January 14, A. D. 1879.*

This being the place designated by the Bishop of the Diocese, and the day appointed by the Constitution, for the meeting of the Eleventh Annual Convention of the Diocese of Albany, the Bishop and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in the Cathedral of All Saints, at half-past ten o'clock in the morning.

The Bishop of the Diocese administered the Holy Communion, and was assisted in the service by the Reverend Doctors Payne, Tucker, Bostwick and Reese, the Reverend Archdeacons Carey, Cooke and Howard, the Dean of the Cathedral, and the Secretary of the Diocese.

In place of the Sermon the Bishop delivered a portion of his Annual Address:

Not by an exchange, but rather by an interchange of attitudes, my very dear Brethren and friends, we stand in a somewhat mixed relation to each other. For I am here partly to give and partly to get, and you are here partly to get and partly to give, not only the loving welcome that bridges over the months of our parting, but also the news of the Diocesan work and results during the past year. Of the welcome I can only say that as I stand once more, to-day, by the good hand of God upon me, in this familiar surrounding, I am more glad and grateful to be here and to be among my clergy and people than any one is glad to have me. And for the general condition of Diocesan affairs I can give you the brief summary of what I was able to do before I went away; and then turn from it to study out with you, in the process of our deliberations, the reports of the Standing Committee and the Board of Missions, as they embody the later statistics of the year. Nor can I close this opening statement without the expression of my gratitude for the fidelity and wisdom with which Diocesan interests, in some cases of very real delicacy and difficulty, have been administered by the Ecclesiastical authority during my absence from home.

I must begin where it seems fitting always that we should begin, with our commemoration of the faithful who have gone, from one to another portion of the Church of God, within the year. And if I speak here or elsewhere, with less accuracy of detail, it will be set down



to lack of information in my absence, and not to any less sense of personal loss. St. Paul set up that galaxy of nameless stars in his enumeration of the saints, "the time would fail me to mention." The Church herself has need to set an "All Saints' day" in every year, that nothing be lost from her full and faithful numbering of her children. And there will always be "names that are written in the Book of Life" whom we remember in the silence that best suits the retirement of their withdrawn lives, though no record of them is written in any volume upon earth.

Among the dead of this year, whose names I would record, are three at least gone from our immediate presence here; two of them gone I may say out of this Convention; John Tayler Cooper, Lyman Tremain, and Grenville Tremain. I cannot fail to call your attention to the suggestive conjunction of these names. The first and the last were the oldest and the youngest members of the corporation of St. Peter's Church; the last two are father and son; and in each case the younger was the first to go, before his father, before his Senior Warden, to our poor human sight it seemed, before the time. Let me speak first of him to say, that he stands up before my mind to-day, as the realized ideal of those young men of whom the beloved disciple said, "I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one." Such he was; one, I thank God, of many of the young men of the coming generation in this city, *primus inter pares*, of whom that rare thing and that good thing may be said, that he was "first pure." No one can ever forget him who ever saw him; for he was a man whose outer seeming betrayed what was within; handsome, with a manly beauty; gracious in manner, and full of the sunniest cheer; expressive in his abundant sympathy. Clean handed, even in his political aspirations, and clear headed in the honorable profession of the law, he was, above all, true-hearted in his religion, a Churchman to the core, a devout, God-fearing, Christian man.

And his honoured father was a friend very close and very dear to me. He had attained to ripeness of years, not only, but of rich powers, spiritual and intellectual, and of their recognition by the Church and State. In his own profession he reached and reaped the highest honours, at the bar. He represented his own parish in our Convention for many years; he was twice the representative of our Diocese, in the General Convention, and always won honour for us. His earnest and eloquent interest, and his generous aid in our Diocesan missions, are echoes and examples which I hope the laymen of the Diocese will cherish and imitate. And he was, as we can testify, who saw him in health and sickness, and in the heart-

sickness of bereavements and sorrow, alike strong to do, and patient to bear, the will of God. I never can forget his face, as I saw him almost for the last time, when the shock of his dear son's death had crushed his heart, sitting, like David at Mahanaim, with the thought in every feature of his face, "Would God I had died for thee, my son, my son." Thank God, that other thought of David's earlier sorrow has been made good to him, now, "I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me."

John Tayler Cooper died at the ripe age of eighty, with a vigor about him which quite realized the inspired description of Moses in the land of Moab, for "his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated." He was among the most conspicuous of the citizens of Albany, in presence and in social position, and although withdrawn of late years from public life, he was actively engaged in many interests of the city. A churchman of what is called the "old school," he was alarmed at what he thought the dangerous tendencies of the live churchmanship of to-day, and was my very honourable and avowed opponent during my rectorship of the old parish in whose administration he had been for years, and was, at the time of his death, a very prominent man. It is most pleasant to remember now, that our personal relations were never broken, and that his own high sense of courtesy never failed him. At the very moment of my election to the Episcopate, it overcame all personal regrets, and brought him to his feet, with the prompt offer of St. Peter's Church for the consecration service of the bishop-elect; and on the eve of my departure for Europe, last June, among the gracious gifts that sped my parting, none were more generous than his. I count such things worth remembering, because in our day of acrimonious disputings, personal courtesies are too often forgotten, and men apparently maintaining antagonistic principles are too often contending for personal victories, and descending to personal abuse.

One good man and good friend to this Diocese from its earliest birth has gone from us, to whose loss, by the long withdrawal of a lingering illness, we had become, I grieve to say, somewhat wonted. Mr. James Roy came to the front in the very earliest hours of the erection of this Diocese. A large and liberal contributor to all its funds, he was the first layman elected on the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Albany, at the primary Convention. Present, with unfailing accuracy, at all its meetings, he brought to every question the cool, well-balanced consideration of a positive and most capable judgment. And when increased illness compelled him to decline a re-election, the Convention testified, by a resolution of sincere regret, its sense of his valuable services. I confess it seems only right to me that we should again, this year, put on our records a tribute to the memo-

ries of men, whose aid was so valuable in the organization and administration of the Diocese in its earlier and weaker years.

The clergy list is less this year, by one name, lost to the Church on earth by reason of the entrance into Paradise of the Rev. J. M. Nisbett, a venerable Priest in English Orders, who came to give the last days of declining strength to our Missionary work. And he worked not only while it was called day, but when the long shadows of the evening lay upon his life. A courteous gentleman, a devout and holy man, a reverent and earnest Priest, of godly learning, and simplicity of heart and life, he leaves behind him with us, not only the example of his holy living, but a hostage for the fresh keeping of his memory, in his son, whom he was privileged to give through me to the sacred ministry of the Church. Schuyler has gone, too; dead at his place of duty; not from this Diocese, but after long enough residence in it to make me know how earnest the consecration of his every aim and thought was to the Master's service; in Whose "forlorn hope" he fell, I am quite sure, without a thought even of any special sacrifice or peculiar honour.

Almost life-long links of love and ministerial brotherhood are parted, so far as this world goes, by the deaths of Dr. Frederick Ogilby, a noble-hearted Priest, with all the fine and generous virtues of an Irish gentleman; of Dr. Wells, who was an ideal Missionary, with a more living faith, a more loving sympathy and a more unconscious habit of self-denial than any man I ever knew; and of my dear friend of college days, William Tilghman Johnston, trained under my father, as gentle and earnest and devoted a Priest, as careful and tender and faithful a Pastor, as ever fed and folded the Master's sheep.

Of laymen less widely known than the three whom I have mentioned: Mr. Botsford of Cocksackie was a generous and intelligent man, for years a pillar, and at times, the only one of the Church there; good old Dr. Devendorf, transfused into his adherence to the Church the tenacious staunchness of his Dutch blood; Mr. M. W. Priest, for years warden of the Little Falls parish, was a God-fearing, faithful man; Dr. Abraham Haun, for years a member of this Body and my kind friend, was eminently a gentleman, whose ministries of mercy in the healing art made him, more and more, a follower of the great Physician; Mr. Silas Gillet can be ill-spared from the few supporters of the Church at Lebanon Springs. Of honourable women, not a few have gone to the closer and more immediate service of the Lord, to Whom they loved to minister on earth: Miss Scarborough, living always for others and always given to good works, among the last of which was the chapel at Port Schuyler, in the West Troy parish; Mrs Bayard Clarke of Schroon, the loving promoter of her family's interest in the Mission there; Mrs. Brooks of Little Falls, one of the holy

women of that parish so unusually bereaved this year; and Mrs. James Davis of Schenectady, whom many have to mourn, wherever her beautiful influence of active Christian interest was felt, here in Albany, or at Burnt Hills, or in Schenectady.

And now you will go with me, heartily, I am sure, to offer at least a word of loving sympathy to the bereaved Diocese and the desolated family of the late Bishop of Louisiana. Coming out of that strange void which shuts one in, on a sea voyage, between land and land, my first news was of the deaths of the Princess Alice, of Bayard Taylor and of Bishop Wilmer. Instinctively one's heart went out in very deepest sympathy to that royal household in England, the virtues of whose illustrious Head have been transmitted to her daughters, making them, what she is, high types of womanhood's chief glory, as wives and mothers. And Bayard Taylor's death certainly brought a sense of national loss. But to me the feeling of personal bereavement came in the news of the sudden death of the Bishop of Louisiana. Some one will gather up, I trust, for men to read, the salient points of his very rare and beautiful character. He was a man of singular simplicity and childlikeness of nature, of deep and fervent piety, of rare courage, of quaint and exquisite fancy, of the finest refinement, a Christian gentleman in every instinct of his being. I am sure my brethren who were with me, in England, will agree with me in saying that no one won his way into the hearts of all with whom he came in contact there so much as Bishop Wilmer. Drawn very closely to him, years ago when I resisted the vain attempt that was made under the guise of patriotism to drag the Church into the arena of sectional strife, I had come to count among the great pleasures of the meetings of the House of Bishops, the association with him. We shall sorely miss the beauty and brightness of his quiet, unconscious humor in our deliberations there; and I pray God, that the spirit of fearlessness with which he bore witness to his Master, before all men, may descend upon us all, making us all like him, "boldly to speak the truth." You will remember to-day with me those upon whom the sorrow has most heavily fallen, the Diocese mourning its chief Pastor, and the family from whom the strong staff has been taken away, and you will remember him, too, in our Eucharistic commemoration, as among those for whose "good examples" we bless the Holy Name of ~~God~~.

The transition is not difficult from thoughts like these to themes of living issues and interests; for the brown leaves of Autumn cover the sprouting seeds of Spring, and the memories of the just are fertilizing influences for them that follow in their steps.

On Tuesday, January 15, the tenth annual Convention of the Diocese assembled in St. John's Church, Troy. I delivered a portion of my annual Address in place of a sermon, and celebrated the Holy Com-

munion, being assisted in the service by the clerical members of the Standing Committee, the Archdeacons and the Rev. Mr. Stewart. More than eighty of the clergy and representatives from about forty parishes were present, and alike in the discussions and the deliberations, new tokens of unity and of earnest outspeaking were manifest.

The missionary meeting was full of unusual freshness in the speeches, in the resolution of confidence proposed by Mr. Caird, and in the steps taken towards the organization, completed afterwards, of the "Albany Auxiliary Association" to our Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. I have never not been proud of the Conventions of this Diocese, but I was never so proud of any meeting as this. Its leading tone and spirit was Catholicity. Two tokens proved it. The resolution in reference to the Lambeth Conference recognized a "bishop's duty to the Church at large," as rightfully "replacing as times his more limited duties to his diocese." And the spectacle of the second afternoon, when the Missionaries, hardly and insufficiently supported and the laymen who have heavy loads to carry in their own parochial administration, resolved themselves into a meeting for the furtherance of the great, general mission work of the American Church, was sublime in its unselfishness. I write this record down among the illuminated recollections of my weeks in England, and the freshness of this picture stands undimmed among their stately memories. I pray you, my well beloved, to keep clear and strong the significance of that afternoon's discussion. It is part of the complex system of all our human relations: personal, social, political; to family and state and country; to parish and diocese and national Church and to the whole Church of God. The weak man, the selfish man, the narrow man, the little man is tempted to sit down and say of the place he loves the best, or the work that is the easiest to do, "I cannot go beyond these." As when a child, with a bit of paper no bigger than his eye, shuts out the sight of the outlying landscape from horizon to horizon. The true man accepts, that he may adjust, the various factors which go to make up the sum of his duty, and in the fear of God undertakes to discharge each in the due proportion of their claim on him. Looking from all sides at our position, I do not hesitate to say that we are in danger of two things here. Parochial claims come first and must be met, but they do not discharge any man from his obligation to carry on the work which we have undertaken as a Diocese. Diocesan claims come next, but they cannot exclude the responsibility which God has put upon us as American churchmen, for the work which presses on us on this great continent; or as Catholic churchmen, for the carrying of the Gospel to heathen lands. I beg you not to let sentiment exaggerate, or selfishness narrow this. A Diocese set by God to care for such a large extent of missionary circumference with few centres of strength

cannot give to Domestic and Foreign Missions, as smaller and stronger Dioceses can and ought to. But you only diminish the amount, because you weaken the habit and lessen the stimulus, of giving, if you refuse to let the sap run out as far as it can go, to the least and farthest away leaf of the tree.

Of the rest of the Convention I have not time or need to speak, except of two things. First, I must express with strongest emphasis my sense of the carefulness of arrangement, of the courtesy of personal consideration, of the cordiality of welcome with which the Parish of St. John's and the Church people of Troy, as ever before, made this gathering of the representatives of the Diocese successful and delightful beyond even our previous meetings; crowning the days of work, and the hours of spiritual communion, by an evening of social intercourse through the generous hospitality of Mr. John B. Gale. And secondly, I am thankful, that a unanimous vote of the Convention, on a unanimous proposition of the Committee on Constitution and Canons, puts in the forefront of our Constitution, the recognition of the Cathedral of the Diocese, and admits its delegates, as representing the Cathedral, to their place in this body.

Of my own work this year as a Bishop, I must speak under two heads, the work done in the Diocese, and the work done in England, and somewhat on the Continent. If I omit part of the usual detail it will be not from forgetfulness or non-appreciation of all the pleasure of it, and of all the blessings that were evident upon the faithful labours of the clergy. I have to note among the cheering tokens of the year, the organization, under circumstances of very great interest, of the Missionary Congress which met in Albany, and at which, in the three Churches, St. Paul's, the Cathedral Chapel and St. Peter's, admirable addresses were made by the Rev. Drs. Eccleston and Potter, and the Rev. Mr. Leonard, and by Prof. Coppée, the Hon. L. Bradford Prince, and the Hon. H. R. Pierson; the completion of the new Church at Saranac Lakes, a second step of the "beautiful feet of them that preach the gospel of peace" upon the Adirondack Mountains; the corner-stone of a new Church laid by Mr. Hutchings for the old Parish of Trinity, Windham in Ashland; the entire extinction of the debt upon the Parish of Grace Church, Waterford; the very marked growth and stir in the Convocation of Ogdensburgh, the weakest but the most alive portion of the Diocese, which furnished this year 179 out of 900 candidates for confirmation; especially in Mineville (where 89 persons confirmed, and 158 baptized are the ingathering of Mr. Woodbridge's five years work); in Canton, where the old Church enlarged and beautified adds a new lustre to the good old Church name of Harison, honoured wherever it is, in Church or State; and at Morley and



Massena, where I found again rich reaping from the faithful labors of Messrs. Olmsted and Goss. In every interest it is cheerful to notice, and it is due, in large degree, to the accurate faithfulness of the Secretary, that the Diocesan Fund is once more (and the first time in many years) out of debt.

Alas, that I must add the weary repetition of our chronic dishonours; the Treasurer left to pay the usual \$2,500 which the Diocese promises and will not pay him; and the Bishop's house, which kindly hands have repaired and repainted, left with the mark upon it, which nothing but Diocesan honesty can efface, of a debt twice owed, because it is a debt of honour.

Still more, alas, I am called upon to mark, what my absence spared me the pain of inflicting, the sentence of deposition passed, after his own confession upon Herbert C. Miller; by which great shame and sorrow came upon a Parish that deserves our fullest sympathy, and upon the Church and the Master, Whose servant and representative he was.

I do not class in this same category what, nevertheless, is bitter sorrow to me, the deposition from his highest office of the late Bishop of Michigan. I know nothing, and you know nothing, beyond the record of that case, which is a record not of crime proven and acknowledged, but of deposition "because of resignation and relinquishment of office," and "because of abandonment of his Diocese and departure from the country, while grave allegations touching his moral character existed, whose investigation he declined to promote." It is bitter enough and bad enough without deductions and inferences. I accept and announce the judgment of my Rt. Rev. Brethren in this most painful case, thanking God that he opened the way to their loving wisdom, for the prompt and quiet action of discipline, without the lingering loathsomeness of a protracted publication of accusations of crime. "To his own Master he standeth or falleth, yea, God is able to make him stand." The warning is plain to us of utmost and incessant watchfulness to keep unstained the Name and Person of the Master in Whose name, nay by Whose personal presence in us, our ministry alone is effectual to souls. "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall."

The record of my home work this year, though necessarily hurried, is gratifying and full of encouragement.

On Thursday, January 17, in the Chapel of St. John's, Troy, I presided at the meeting of the newly elected Board of Missions, which was a meeting of much practical and promising interest.

January 22; admitted Mr. John Prout and Mr. C. C. Edmunds, Jr. Candidates for Priest's Order.

January 27, Third Sunday after the Epiphany, I made a short ad-



dress in St. Paul's Church, Albany, the Missionary Bishop of Shanghai being "the chief speaker."

February 2d, Feast of the Purification, in the Chapel of the Cathedral, I kept the anniversary of my consecration, preaching and celebrating.

The next days were occupied with the half-yearly examinations at St. Agnes School, which were in all ways thorough and satisfactory.

On Wednesday, February 6, I took part in Grace Church, Utica, in the burial service of the Hon. Alex. Johnson, an earnest and intelligently Christian man ; my former parishioner and good friend ; a just Judge not only, and learned in the Law, but a man educated and given to think and read and talk outside of professional lines.

Tuesday and Wednesday, February 12 and 13, I was present at the meetings of the Board of Missions in New York ; and Wednesday evening in Grace Church, Newark, I preached in the interest of St. Barnabas' Hospital.

March 3, Quinquagesima Sunday. In the evening I preached in St. Paul's Mission Chapel, Albany.

March 6, Ash Wednesday. In the evening I preached in St. Paul's Church, Troy ; the Clergy of the city being present, and the congregation representing all the Churches.

March 18, I confirmed in private one person from Trinity Parish, Albany.

March 19, in the evening, in Holy Innocents' Church, Albany, I preached and confirmed ten persons.

March 21, licensed Mr. Richard Oates as Lay Reader in Colton, under Archdeacon Howard.

March 24, Third Sunday in Lent, in St. Paul's Free Mission Chapel, Troy ; I preached and confirmed twenty-two persons.

March 28, I took part in the burial service of Miss Jane Scarborough, in Trinity Church, West Troy ; and on the 29th, in Trinity Church, New York, in the burial service of my father's old and dear friend, the Rev. Dr. Frederick Ogilby.

March 30, I admitted Mr. F. W. Thompson, a postulant for Candidateship.

March 31, Fourth Sunday in Lent, I preached, confirmed thirteen persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion ; in the afternoon I preached in a Hall in Mohawk ; and in the evening in St. Augustine's Church, Ilion, I preached, and confirmed one person.

April 1, in Emmanuel Church, Little Falls, in the evening, I preached and confirmed eleven persons, one from Trinity Church, Fairfield.

April 2, in Zion Church, Fonda, I preached and confirmed ten persons, *all from St. John's Church, Johnstown*, and celebrated the Holy

Communion. This was among the few instances, in which the people were really willing to *come* to be confirmed, away from their Parish Churches. It was the more marked, because the Rector of Fonda was ill, and the whole service was Johnstownian. And I appreciated the act on the part of Rector and people the more, because of its rareness.

In the evening, in St. Ann's Church, Amsterdam, I preached and confirmed fifteen persons.

April 3, in St. George's Church, Schenectady, in the morning, I preached, confirmed eleven persons, (two from Christ Church, Schenectady, and one from Calvary Church, Burnt Hills), and celebrated.

In the evening, in Trinity Church, Granville, I preached.

April 4, in the morning, in the school-room of the North Granville Military Academy, I preached and confirmed five persons. The order and character of the school impressed me very pleasantly. And the service was very well rendered, although the choir was not only voluntary but unused to the Prayer Book.

April 9, in the evening, in St. Luke's Church, Catskill, I preached and confirmed twenty-one persons (one in private.)

April 10, I licensed Mr. Robt. H. Neide as a Lay Reader.

April 11, I confirmed in private, in Troy, one person from St. Paul's Parish.

April 14, Sixth Sunday in Lent, in St. Peter's Church, Albany, I preached, confirmed thirty-one persons and celebrated.

At night, in St. Paul's Church, Albany, I preached and confirmed forty persons.

April 16, Tuesday next before Easter, in the evening, in Grace Church, Albany, I confirmed eighteen persons and addressed them.

April 18, Thursday before Easter, in the evening, in Trinity Church, Albany, I preached and confirmed twelve persons.

April 20, Easter Even, in the Chapel of the Cathedral, I preached and confirmed forty-seven persons, (twenty-seven being children from St. Agnes School). Loving hearts had set up a *Cathedra*, in the choir, in memory of a beloved one, who was where they keep Easter earlier than we do, because the Risen Lord appeared in His human soul, *first* to the Spirits in the place of their safe-keeping. I used the Throne with great surprise and grateful pleasure, and very real satisfaction, that *one* of the distinctive features of a Cathedral was to be *visible* hereafter in our own.

April 21, Easter, I preached and celebrated at a glad and glorious Morning Service in the Chapel of the Cathedral, with our largest number of Communicants and a very generous offering; in the evening, in St. Paul's Church, Troy, I preached and confirmed thirty-three persons.

Monday, April 22, Monday in Easter-week, in the evening, in Trin-

ity Church, West Troy, I preached and confirmed twenty-two persons.

April 23, Tuesday in Easter-week, I preached, and ordained Priests, the Rev. Charles T. Whittemore and the Rev. Robert Granger; and Deacon, Mr. Bradford R. Kirkbride; confirmed twelve persons (*three from Fort Edward*) and celebrated.

The super-altar, on which arbutus flowers lifted themselves above green moss, into the word "Risen," as though to tell in blushing purity what the Lord of Life had done for them that Spring, preached the sermon to the Candidates, of the assured reality of the Resurrection of the Flesh, and of the newness of Life in which they must walk, who are risen *indeed*, with Christ. It was the Rector's doing, and is a type of much else of his doing, in his Parish.

In the evening, in Trinity Church, Whitehall, I preached and confirmed sixteen persons. I am sorry to find, that, although entered on my written journal. there was no record printed last year of my visit-

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Thursday, April 4th, P. M., in St. Marks Church, Hoosick Falls, I confirmed thirteen persons and addressed them.

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were more than beguiled by the pleasant company of Messrs. Cookson and Olin. And I enjoy nothing more than the long talks, theological and practical, for which such journeys give the opportunity that could not otherwise be found.

April 28, the first Sunday after Easter, in St. John's Church, Troy, I preached, confirmed fifty persons, and celebrated.

In the afternoon, I took part in the sweet Evensong of the Holy Cross.

And at night, in Christ Church, Troy, I preached and confirmed twenty persons.

April 29, in Christ Church, Ballston Spa, I preached, confirmed thirty-seven persons and celebrated. One candidate was from Mechanicville; the rest, either from the parochial or the missionary field of the indefatigable Rector, who not only ministers to all conditions, but to all sorts of men; there being three deaf mutes in the class, for whom the Rev. Dr. Gallaudet interpreted the services.

I put under the charge of the Rev. Mr. Barnes a movement for services in Jonesville, from which many people came up to Ballston to-day, whom I met and talked with about the possibilities, perhaps in the near future, of a little Chapel there.

In the evening, in Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, I preached and confirmed thirty-eight persons (one in private).

April 30, presided at a meeting of the Board of Missions, and organized, under its most fitting name, the Mission of the Good Shepherd, Bloomingdale, Essex County.

May 6, in the evening, in Zion Church, Morris, I preached and confirmed seven persons.

May 7, in the evening, in Grace Church, Cherry Valley, I preached and confirmed nine persons.

May 8, in the afternoon, in St. John's Church, Portlandville, I preached and confirmed eight persons; and, in the evening, in St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, I preached and confirmed five persons (two from Oneonta and one from Franklin).

May 9, in the afternoon, in Christ Church, Walton, I preached and confirmed three persons; and, in the evening, in St. John's Church, Delhi, I preached and confirmed six persons.

May 12, the Third Sunday after Easter, in Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, in the afternoon, I preached and confirmed nine persons; and at night, in Grace Church, Waterford, I preached and confirmed ten

May 14, in the evening, in Christ Church, Hudson, I preached and confirmed seventeen persons, two coming from Claverack.

May 15 and 16, I presided at what were certainly spirited and I trust useful meetings of the Missionary Congress, on Wednesday evening in St. Paul's, on Thursday morning in the Chapel of the Cathedral, with the celebration of the Holy Communion; on Thursday afternoon and evening, in St. Peter's.

May 19, the Fourth Sunday after Easter, in the Church of the Messiah, Greenbush, I confirmed six persons and addressed them.

May 21, in the afternoon, in Christ Church, Port Henry, I confirmed twenty-four persons; thirteen from Mineville, and eleven from Port Henry. It is hard to say which was the larger number, from the new and distant and difficult ground of the Mission, or from the old and already well-reaped field of the Parish.

May 22, in St. James' Church, Ausable Forks, in the afternoon, I confirmed six persons and addressed them. The class prepared from St. Regis Lake was prevented from coming by inability to find waggons. In the evening, in Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, I preached and confirmed twelve persons (one in private).

May 23, in St. Peter's Church, Brush's Mills, I preached and confirmed seventeen persons (with one confirmed after at Ogdensburgh, eighteen), of whom thirteen were from St. Mark's Church, West Bangor; and in the evening, in St. Mark's Church, Malone, I preached and confirmed six persons.

May 24, in Trinity Church, Potsdam, I preached and confirmed ten persons.

May 25, in Grace Church, Canton, I preached and confirmed sixteen persons; and in the afternoon, in Trinity Church, Gouverneur, I preached and confirmed five persons.

May 26, the Fifth Sunday after Easter, in St. John's Church, Ogdensburg, I preached, confirmed thirteen persons and celebrated; and in the evening, in Trinity Chapel, Morley, I preached and confirmed thirty-four persons. I think this Service, as evidence of a fervent religious feeling, of a controlled and deep religious interest, the most remarkable I ever saw.

May 27, in St. John's Church, Massena, I preached and confirmed twenty-eight persons; and at night, in Grace Church, Norfolk, I confirmed five persons and addressed them.

The next days were spent in the closing examinations of St. Agnes School, which were as thorough and satisfactory evidence of real and honest work as my highest ambition could desire.

May 30, I confirmed in the Child's Hospital a young girl who came in from the Orphanage at Cooperstown, and was glad so to unite among my last official acts those two admirable charities of the Diocese.

Friday, May 31, in the Free Church of the Ascension, Troy, I preached and confirmed twenty persons, and said my farewell to the gathered Clergy and people whom dear Dr. Tucker so gracefully, and so gratefully to me, represented.

June 3, I received a Sister probationer, Sister Constance, into the Sisterhood of the Holy Child Jesus: whose addition to our working powers, intellectual and spiritual, in St. Agnes School, all who are in the School in any capacity, will rate with me, as of very great value.

June 4, in the Chapel of the Cathedral, I made the Address and gave the diplomas and testimonials with my blessing to the large graduating class of St. Agnes School, after the usual exercises in the school room. I was glad to notice an even larger gathering of friends, clerical and lay, from the Diocese and outside of it. And I am glad, since my return, to record the new evidence of the well-deserved confidence of Churchmen in the Sisters and other ladies who have that work in hand, and the new token of God's blessing upon it, shown by the numbers larger than ever before of the pupils, and by the good order and unbroken health of the School during the term which closed the day before I came home.

I had to hear and say good-bye again, to a crowd of kind people who made Dr. Battershall, this time, their most admirable and acceptable mouthpiece. And my last official act was my attendance at the meeting of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary in New York, on the evening of the 5th of June, at which I nominated my old friend and my father's friend, the Rev. Dr. E. A. Hoffman, for the Dean-

ship of the Seminary. It is a special gratification to me, that his election by the Trustees in October confirmed this nomination. And I am bold to hope, that in wisdom and power of administration he will at least in large degree make good the great loss to the Seminary of Dr. Seymour's elevation to the Episcopate. I have to acknowledge gratefully the offices of the Bishops of New York and Springfield in holding ordinations in the Diocese, and of the Bishop of Vermont, in administering confirmation during my absence.

I went from my Diocese on the 5th day of June, borne up through the anxiety and sorrow of many partings by the God-speed that had come so fervently to me from the two last gatherings of clergy and lay people, in the Free Church of the Ascension in Troy, and in the great room of St. Agnes school. What it was and is, to know upon the trackless sea and in the equal perils of journeyings by land, that loving hearts follow one's steps, with constant prayers to Him "Who holdeth the waters in the hollow of His hand," words cannot tell. I know I owe to them the goodness and mercy which followed me. And I felt their power not only in the midst of possible physical dangers of which I never knew, but in the places where wisdom and counsel were needed, and in a measure given. I knew and owned their power at Lambeth and at Farnham, in the discussion of the grave questions there; in the gatherings at London and elsewhere, in which I took my part; in Paris before the great question of the restoration of the old Gallican Church; and in Rome, facing the problems of Continental Christianity; so that whatever measure of influence came from me, you had your share in, my beloved. And now, safely and thankfully, at home again, "through the dear might of Him who walked the waves," I thank you for the gracious charity of this best gift, and I ask the continuance of your prayers, that I may never lose, myself, and that I may be able to impart to you, and to infuse into this dear, common work of ours, the impulse and the inspiration that England gave to me.

It is a great loss on both sides of the water that ignorance and consequent indifference prevail in England about the American Church, and here, about the Church of England. And before I pass to speak of the Conference and its work, I want to tell you something about the life of the English Church to-day, whose most striking and characteristic feature I should say, is *religious activity*. The very grounds and reasons for well-founded anxiety which wear upon those, on whom rests the responsibility of ruling, are tokens of this activity. The unbelief in England is not the vulgar galvanizing of French skeletons which can only grin, in ghastly sneers, at all that humanity counts holy. It is the earnest, anxious overcurious speculation of a philosophy, whose very irreligion asserts the power and the reality of the religion which it questions. And the only



other conspicuous movement which excites attention or alarm in the Church, the ritualistic movement, lawless as it is, and in some instances breaking out altogether beyond the extremest strain of Catholic comprehensiveness, still numbers among its ranks, men, in terrible and tremendous earnest, grappling with suffering, sin and poverty, with an impressive impetuosity which can only be born of a very real and a very living faith. They have grown, both these sets of thinkers and teachers, to very large and very threatening proportions. There is good ground for uneasy and unceasing watchfulness. The Bishops, whom every body blames, are wide awake to the dangers. And no one can read the masterly philosophy of the Bishop of Peterborough's Charge, or the comprehensive and generous Pastoral of the Bishop of Rochester, or the Charge of the Bishop of Winchester, with its rare combination of positive statement and practical wisdom with gentleness and patience and transparent sincerity, without feeling that, in spite of much time lost, the reins are being gathered up, now, into strong, and at the same time, tender hands, to guide the future of the Mother Church. I am as free to say here, as I was there, that I believe more might have been done by the Episcopate of England, if they had been left to their original intention of discriminating, into degrees of intolerableness, among questions which have been unfortunately grouped together for common censure; as, for instance, vestments and lights and incense, and the Eastward position, the last of which was the common use with thousands of the English clergy who, to say the least, were indifferent to the other three. And the Bishops would have been freer to act deliberately, if they had not been hounded on by a wild and ignorant denunciation of such a matter, for instance again, as Private Confession, whose danger and whose wrong lie in its perversion and abuse. But it is never to be forgotten in looking at all these things from our outside standpoint, that an English Bishop's hands are tied tight, by the vested rights of Vicars and Rectors in their livings, and by the constraints of Parliamentary interference, so that discipline is very difficult to exercise. On the other hand, it is a physical impossibility, while they are so few in number, and govern Dioceses so rich in Clergy, for them to gain or use that personal influence, in which after all the mightiest power lies, to control and guide the fervent stream, which, like a swollen brook in Spring, or like the coursing blood of the struggling athlete, with all powers and possibilities of life and blessing, still threatens to burst the channels through which it flows. The hope of the future of the Church of England lies, in my judgment, in an increased representation in Convocation (including lay representation) to which larger powers of ecclesiastical legislation shall be given, and in the division of Dioceses with an enlarged Episcopate.

“The short and easy method” people, like Mr. Mackonochie and Mr. Bradlaugh, propose to cut the knot. But it is a knot whose ropes are made of flesh-clothed and blood-coloured sinews, and nerves that are entwined with the most sacred memories of the past, and tingling with the most living interests of the present, and concerned with most important issues of the future. Every man of us who loves his Mother, either in the sonship of State or Church, ought to pray, while we thank God for the freedom of our Church from State control, that the bands which knit together Church and State in England, if *ever* they must be severed, should be slowly and wisely separated; not in a time of seething violence, when party feelings have strong sway; much less at the bidding of some adventurer seeking political capital for a party that has traded upon sensational excitement, and is at a loss for a new cry. For myself, my daily prayer is, that this sacred union may be perpetual, which has made England the great Christian nation of the world, and made the English Church the benefactor and the benedictor—if I may coin the word—of English speaking Christians, through the learned leisure of her theologians and canonists in every age.

Never, in any period of her history, was there so much power in the Church of England as there is to-day; “so much doing for God and godliness,” as the Bishop of Winchester phrases it. And I come back envying no single one of all the dignities, or prerogatives of English Prelates, no single one of their magnificent Minsters or parish Churches, no single one of their glorious and impressive services. For the *spiritual* dignity and prerogative of the Episcopate are *their* chief honour, as they are *ours*; and our Cathedral buildings *will* come, and our parish churches *will* increase in number and grow up to the grandeur that befits the purpose of their building, and our worship *will* go on towards the “perfect beauty of holiness.” But I *do* long and pray for the tide to reach these shores, of that reality of religious interest and energy in work and worship, which seems at the flood now, to so great a degree in England, till it shall break down and bear away the shame-facedness and self-consciousness which make American Churchmen whisper their responses with bated breath in Church; and make them afraid, out of Church, to speak of their religion or to confess their Master before men.

Let me take a few illustrations of what I mean. I counted, in what was a partially complete record only, one hundred and fifty organized charitable houses, chiefly administered by Sisters, and one hundred and eighty-two guilds and organizations for active Christian work. We are accustomed to think that the English Church depends altogether upon endowments and invested funds for the carrying on of her religious work. But it is a fact that more than a million



pounds sterling (£5,000,000) are annually given for the building and repair of churches. "The Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign parts," reported for 1877 an income of £137,000, and "the Church Missionary Society for Africa and the East," an income of £190,000. "The Colonial Bishoprics Fund" has contributed, in fifteen years £320,000 towards its noble objects. "The Bishop of London's Fund for providing for the Spiritual Wants of the Metropolis," in thirteen years amounted to £570,000. And the Church of England, in the year 1876, sent out £425,000 to Foreign Missions. All these sums are "exclusive of income arising from stocks or other investments." I am not one of those who believe that money is life-blood, either in the difficulty of giving it or in the power it conveys. But I do know that no evidence is stronger of the uprooting of the primal and prevailing sin of covetousness, by which Eve fell and which damns Eve's sons now, than the free giving of money to God. And I know that nothing can accomplish this, but such singular gifts of the Holy Ghost as God gave to Joses the Levite of Cyprus, who laid his substance without reserve at the Apostles' feet.

But there are other tokens than these. Let me begin with the use that is made of Churches in England, and of the Cathedrals first; not only because they are the central and representative ecclesiastical bodies, but because nothing in England was so dead in the last century. Their crumbling walls scarcely held up the roofs, over naves that were silent and empty and cold. Now, from the Metropolitan Cathedral of St. Paul's — through every Cathedral town in England, in Dublin, in the new and beautiful Cathedral just finished in Edinburgh, in the old Abbey Church of St. Albans, ruined for centuries and now climbing back to beauty again in the new life of the new Diocese of St. Albans — everywhere, not only are the material fabrics restored and kept up with lavish and loving care, but they are used to the echo for worship and work. Our first Sunday in England was spent in Exeter Cathedral whose noble Norman towers and massive walls are among the monuments of English history, from the days of the Conqueror down: and which is beautiful inside now with the newer memorials in glass and stone, of the great names of Freeman and Sir John Coleridge and Bishop Patteson. The morning service was what one looks for, the great choir filled with an attentive congregation. In the afternoon the greater nave was thronged to the door with a congregation of listeners and worshippers. The sermon was, what English sermons are in my experience of them; simple and direct as men *would* write who are well-educated, and in earnest; not so rhetorical, perhaps, as our American preaching, but, if I may venture to say it, more real. And the singing was what it is only in England, where the whole congregation take up the choral responses and the hymns; where the anthems recall what

Grégory said to Augustine about the Anglo-Saxon boys thirteen hundred years ago "*Non Angli sed Angeli*;" where the Psalter is sung with the ease of the most accurate reading, as if each boy were the "chief singer upon the stringed instrument," to whom so many of the Psalms are inscribed. The anthem that afternoon, "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day," not only made me feel as if the words were true of all of us that were there, but made it possible almost to imagine what the Holy Seer felt at Patmos, when he "heard behind him a great voice." Our last Sunday in England was in York, and there too, the Choir, larger than many a Parish Church, serves for the morning congregation, while the afternoon and evening congregation throng the vast nave. And of St. Paul's Cathedral, what can one say to give an adequate impression of its life and power. I saw it in every aspect, from the pulpit twice, from the choir and from the nave. Its Sunday congregations vary from twenty-five hundred to four thousand.\* The combination of spiritual, intellectual and practical forces, in the Chapter is unequalled. Dr. Stainer certainly is first among few equals as an ecclesiastical musician; and at the daily worship the music is as exquisite in its way, as at the greater Sunday services. And the Cathedral is utilized and used. A country Rector told me of his meeting there six or eight farmers from his neighborhood, who told him that on the days they brought their produce to the city market, they almost always found time to come in after it was sold, to the Cathedral Evensong before they went home. There is a daily celebration of the Holy Communion, and in Lent not only a short added midday service for business men, who come to it in throngs; but special sermons and even a Bible class for the critical study of the New Testament in the original. And among the throngs of wandering sight-seers on the week days, it is no uncommon thing to see poor men and women, reading and praying, as they could not do in the crowd and confusion of their own homes. I want no better evidence of the difference between the outcome of Roman and English Christianity, than the contrast between the two great central Churches of the two Communion; the one, florid in music and tawdry in decorations, with as many altars as there were on Mars Hill, and God "ignorantly worshipped" where He is worshipped at all, with mumbled offices, and every token of indifference and weary perfunctoriness, among priests and people; the other, simple, dignified, devout, compelling attention and reverence, by the very contagion of its atmosphere. And the same thing struck me in the other Churches where I was. In the famous mission Church, St. Peter's in the East, where, whether one liked or disliked the ritual, it was real

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\* I heard Canon Liddon preach there, as only *he* can preach, on the 1st Sunday in Advent, a sermon of the deepest thought, in the simplest language, to the most practical end, with a voice and energy that touched and thrilled the consciences of the enormous congregation, who were two-thirds men.

and meant something, and where the works of reclamation and mercy to the worst dregs of society in the London Docks are beyond all praise; in the Temple Church; in the Savoy Chapel; in the beautiful chapels of Kings and Trinity Colleges, Cambridge; in the little Parish Church at Cuddesdon, where the Bishop of Oxford, and his family, with the students of the College worship together with a congregation of simple villagers; at Bishopthorpe, where the old Parish Church owes to the present Archbishop of York its restoration, at least to a much more churchly arrangement, and a simple devout service: everywhere, were tokens of the same permeating and penetrating energy of awakened life. And, finally, I wish I could take you with me to St. Peter's Church, Eaton square, on such a Sunday morning as I have spent there, more than once. Five years ago, when the great Bishop Wilberforce told me to go there, if I wanted to hear *real* preaching, the Church was just emerging from its condition of debased architecture, stalled pews, empty benches, dry preaching and infrequent services. Now, it is a very beautiful building, with a service ringing not only with sweetness but with earnestness of worship. It is crowded always, with a "multitude of people praising God." And the men and women have caught the spirit of the Vicar, a spirit of the most intense faith and the most burning zeal. They seem aglow with devotion in their worship, and they are aglow with devotion in every sort and kind of good work. Their giving is proverbial. And there is no channel of beneficence anywhere,—in the Universities Mission at Delhi in India, in the Diocese of Bloemfontein, in the sick-rooms of the London poor (where they are careful to take flowers), in schools, in mission Churches,—into which some stream of the religious energy of this congregation does not flow. And it comprises among its worshippers, as does St. George's, Hanover Square (which Mr. Capel Cure has lifted from the depths of fashionable indifference into energetic, religious life), it comprises among its worshippers many of the leading people of London society, which it is leavening into liveness "unto God." There were at least two hundred communicants at the early celebration there on Advent Sunday. And no one who heard the Vicar's intense earnestness the Sunday before could fail to feel, that they came as men, "discerning the Lord's Body," with penitence, and a lively hope of grace and pardon needed, and sure to be given. At the second service, Professor Lightfoot, of Cambridge, a man of letters and of books, and among the first scholars of England to-day, preached such a missionary sermon as I have hardly ever heard equalled, for manliness and magnetic power. And the great congregation all the time, in very large proportion men, were either worshipping or being edified; quiet as they came in and as they went out; engaged in the services, said or sung, with their full

voices; and able, with a physical strength which somehow American backs and knees seem to have lost, to get upon their knees and stay there, through the long Litany and the long Communion Office, to get upon their feet and stand there, through all the acts of praise and through the whole taking of the offertory, and to sit *still* and listen to God's word preached and read. An accidental illustration came to me of the kind of Christianity that grows out of this teaching, and is, I believe, no unusual specimen of London churchmen to-day. I came back from Paris, charged with a sense of the importance of losing no time in enabling the Rev. M. Loyson to begin his work in Paris. Some hindrances of an ecclesiastical kind existed which I had some little share in removing. But it was very important to arouse in England a practical form of sympathy. Though I had seen Liddon, and been in communication with the Archbishop, and the Primus of Scotland, I wanted to get at Mr. Meyrick, the able and indefatigable Secretary of the Anglo-Continental Society. But he was at Torquay, and not well. So there came to me as his representative, a young man in active business, occupied fully, of means, and culture, and position. And I found him heart and soul in the movement, with a most intelligent appreciation of its importance, giving time and means out of his busy life in the simplest way to further the great movement, on which his eye had fallen during a visit to Paris. It was his practical religion, so real that it never occurred to him *not* to "do with his might" this which his hand found to do. He was but one of many other laymen in England like Gladstone, and the Marquis of Westminster, and Nelson, and Caernarvon, and the Earl of Powys, and Lord Salisbury, and Beauchamp, and Shaftesbury, and Mr. Hubbard, and Beresford Hope, and countless\* other men, who are not hindered by the "much serving" of their busy lives, political, professional or in business, from Church giving and Church going and Church working; who have learned to read aright "the six days shalt thou labour," to apply not merely to the things that perish in their using, but to the work that endures, done for the souls of men and for the kingdom of God. There is a current that sets toward these Western shores from off the Banks, which drifts the ships from England quickly to our coast. There is a quiet living connection under the stormy sea, binding the continents together, with a pulse of common life whose throb we almost feel. I believe there is a closer relation, closer now than ever, between the nations and the Churches, full of mutual benefit and blessing to both. We are "a-kin across the sea." And while the old has much to learn of new methods, of powers and processes of adaptation chiefly, and most

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\* The President of the English Church Union and the Secretary of the Church Missionary Society, representing the very opposite poles of theological thought, are laymen given up to the service of the Church.

of all, I believe, of the great value of laymen in council, and of the safety of such councils and their usefulness for ecclesiastical legislation and government; we need, I pray God we may get, more of the impetus, even if it must come with its attendant anxieties, of the seething, stirring, spiritual life of the Church of England.

Coming to speak of the Lambeth Conference, the point about which all my English experience revolved, I ask you to remember two things. Some people in this country who conjured up alarms beforehand of a Canterbury patriarchate and an assumption of Papal powers into the one Archbishop or the one hundred Bishops, have been obliged to make themselves busy since the Conference met, by very needless emphasizing of the fact that it was *not* a Synod, which it never claimed to be; that it published no Encyclical, which is only partly true; and that its results were harmless, because they were insignificant.

Of the first I need only say, that without information from without, or discussion within, the Bishops gathered at Lambeth realized exactly the informal character of their meeting, and claimed for it no authority beyond its inherent moral weight; which one may say, modestly, is greater than the individual opinions of any absentee. Of the second, I must say with frankness, that to my great regret, and in spite of my very earnest effort in the Conference in such good company as the Bishops of Lincoln, Western New York, and a good many others, it was decided not to issue an Encyclical. But we who wished otherwise, were almost content, when the reports of the Committees were, *word for word, and one by one*, ADOPTED, not accepted, but adopted by the Conference, and sent out as the deliberate counsel of all, *addressed* to "the Faithful in Christ Jesus," "commending to them the conclusions" which had been reached. I transcribe the opening sentences of the *Letter*, not calling it "*an Encyclical*," because I cannot read or hear it now, without the same thankful thrill that stirred me when the Archbishop read it to us first, with the sense that I was indeed a Bishop of the Catholic Church, a Bishop in the great Church of God, and not the superintendent, by their election, of any number of congregations.

*"To the faithful in Christ Jesus, greeting:*

We, Archbishops, Bishops Metropolitan and other Bishops of the Holy Catholic Church, in full communion with the Church of England, one hundred in number, all exercising superintendence over Dioceses, or lawfully commissioned to exercise Episcopal functions therein, assembled, many of us from the most distant parts of the earth, at Lambeth Palace, in the year of our Lord 1878, under the presidency of the Most Reverend Archibald Campbell, by Divine Providence Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate of all England, after receiving in the private Chapel of the said Palace, the Blessed Sacrament of the



Lord's Body and Blood, and after having united in prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, have taken into our consideration various definite questions submitted to us affecting the condition of the Church in divers parts of the world.

We have made these questions the subject of serious deliberations for many days, and we now commend to the faithful the conclusions which have been adopted."

The letter,\* twice commending its contents to all the faithful in Christ Jesus, found additional extension of address, it seems to me, in the fact that it has been translated into Greek and Latin, plainly for Greek and Latin Christians, *jussu Reverendissimi Archi-Episcopi Cantuariensis*.

As to its actual results, I name here but two, either of them worth crossing the Atlantic to have helped on. A year ago when we were thinking about this Conference together, I suggested as matters of grave practical importance which would demand its attention, "our relations to the Old Catholic movement, and the establishment of, and terms of inter-communion with autonomous national Churches, the relations among Foreign Missionary Episcopates, English and American, the question of English and American chaplancies, and a plan for regulated, representative synodical action among the different portions of our Communion." Now it so turned out that all these matters, some of them not on the Agenda paper, came under discussion. And out of the discussion have already grown two practical facts, of the first consequence to Christendom:

1st. The Japanese Christians are to have one Book of Common Prayer in their own tongue, instead of being puzzled by two Prayer Books, English and American, with just enough difference to be troublesome, while the English and American Missionaries were in the communion of the one Church. The wise and excellent report of the Committee on this subject, on whose recommendation this long desired result has been attained, embodies principles of liturgical and ecclesiastical Catholicity and sense, which if they sink into our Missionary Boards and Missionaries, will utterly change the aim of Missionary working from the effort to transplant the "Protestant Episcopal Church," or the "Church of England as by law established," into a foreign soil, as exotics, to spindle and die, into the effort to build up a Native Church, with a Native ministry and a national liturgy of its own: the only condition as to the liturgy being, as the Conference recommended, "that the *principles* embodied should be identical with the principles embodied in the Book of Common Prayer." Hereafter, at any rate it will not be necessary to have, and to stand out for,

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\* The Bishop of Gibraltar formally presented this letter last month, 'to the Greek Archbishop of Cyprus, who assured the Bishop of his anxiety "for union between the sister Churches."

two Offices for the Holy Communion, and I hope the test of orthodoxy will not be the exact translation of "Dearly beloved brethren" into Japanese.

Greater than this result by far, and beyond the most sanguine hopes, was the result from the Committee's report on "the position which the Anglican Church should assume towards the Old Catholics, and toward the persons on the Continent of Europe, who have renounced their allegiance to the Church of Rome, and who are desirous of forming some connection with the Anglican Church, either English or American." The report of this Committee states, in terms that are resonant with the old voices of primitive days, the basis of Catholic union among believers. M. Loyson, who quotes it in the appendix "*pro causâ Catholicâ*" to his very remarkable Conferences on the principles of Catholic Reform says, "not without profound emotion do I come to read the Acts of the Lambeth Conference, at the conclusion of which I assisted myself under the venerable dome of St. Paul's in London." Its conclusion so runs.

"The principles on which the Church of England has reformed itself are well known. We proclaim the sufficiency and supremacy of the Holy Scriptures as the ultimate rule of faith, and commend to our people the diligent study of the same. We confess our faith in the words of the ancient Catholic creeds. We retain the Apostolic orders of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons. We assert the just liberties of particular or national Churches. We provide our people, in their own tongue, with a Book of Common Prayer and Offices for the administration of the Sacraments, in accordance with the best and most ancient types of Christian faith and worship. These documents are before the world, and can be known and read of all men. We gladly welcome every effort for reform upon the model of the Primitive Church. We do not demand a rigid uniformity; we deprecate needless divisions; but to those who are drawn to us in the endeavor to free themselves from the yoke of error and superstition, we are ready to offer all help and such privileges as may be acceptable to them and are consistent with the maintenance of our own principles as enunciated in our formularies.

Your committee recommend that questions of the class now submitted to them be dealt with in this spirit. For the consideration, however, of any definite cases in which advice and assistance may, from time to time be sought, your Committee recommend that the Archbishops of England and Ireland with the Bishop of London, the Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church, and the Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, the Bishop superintending the congregations of the same upon the continent of Europe, and the Bishop of Gibraltar, together with such

other Bishops as they may associate with themselves, be requested to advise upon such cases as circumstances may require."

And the very first act of this Committee, through "its most admirable representative, the beloved and venerable Primus of the Church of Scotland, has been to throw the protection and oversight of our Episcopate over the effort making in France to re-establish there the Gallican Church, with its national liberties and its Anti-Tridentine catholicity. M. Loyson's letter is dated August 4th; and the reply of the Primus is dated September 23d. Time enough has passed to give opportunity for careful consideration of the very important questions involved. And the temperate and accurate statement by the French Priest and the Scottish Bishop, must, I think, set at rest the legitimate fears of those who rightly respect the old canon against Episcopal intrusion, the being a busy-body "*ἄλλοτριό-ἐπισκοπος*," St. Paul calls it, "in other men's matters."

M. Loyson writes to the Archbishop of Canterbury, from Paris. (I quote parts of these letters only) :

"Unhappily, evil days have made our Episcopate such that we count in its ranks many adversaries, and we have not one to exercise Pastoral superintendence over us. And yet in France more than elsewhere, it is of essential importance that the Restorative action should come from above — I mean from the power established by God for the government of His Church. Without this, instead of reform we should have revolution; and should not heal the evils of Ecclesiastical absolutism by introducing those of religious anarchy in their stead. Recent events have only strengthened this conviction, which is with me of long standing; and it is this which causes me to turn toward you, most Reverend Father in Christ — toward you who have been placed, by the Providence of God, in the oldest See of an Episcopate which not only embraces in its powerful circle the vast area of the Anglo-Saxon world, but which also dates back in an uninterrupted and unbroken succession to the Apostles.

"We have heard with emotion and gratitude, the words in which, during their recent Conference, the Bishops of the Anglican Communion have so generously offered their support in the isolation and spiritual conflict in which we are engaged:—'We do not demand a rigid uniformity; we deprecate needless divisions; but to those who are drawn to us in the endeavor to free themselves from the yoke of error and superstition, we are ready to offer all help, and such privileges as may be acceptable to them, and are consistent with the maintenance of our own principles as enunciated in our Formularies.' "

"We thank you for these words, and we believe with the Anglican Episcopate, that if each Bishop has received individually the charge of



a particular Church, all Christian Bishops have received collectively 'in solidum,' as St. Cyprian, of Carthage, so well expresses it, the care of the Universal Church. Hence it was that in ancient times they never refused to the neighboring Christian bodies the help which they demanded of them in their time of need. We ask you to help us to maintain ourselves upon the basis you have yourselves indicated in the document just quoted, as that of the Catholic union of Churches, viz.: 'One Divine Head; one Catholic and Apostolic Church, holding the one Faith revealed in Holy Writ, defined in the Creeds, and maintained by the primitive Church; one and the same Canon of the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as containing all things necessary to salvation.' Above and beyond the material aid which is necessary to us for the worthy celebration of public worship, that which we most earnestly desire is the official recognition of the Catholic work of the priests and laity who are endeavoring to restore, upon a basis at once larger and more ancient than that of the Council of Trent, the Gallican Church, which has been officially suppressed by the Vatican Council. We ask to be recognized by the Anglican Communion as forming in France a Christian mission—Catholic and Gallican—placed provisionally under the government of one or several of its Bishops, until the day when it shall be possible for us to constitute ourselves a complete and autonomous Church."

And the Primus of Scotland replies: "In ordinary times, and under ordinary circumstances, the Anglican Episcopate could have returned but one answer to such a request. They would have been constrained to decline acceding to it as being in violation of the Canonical rule and order of the Catholic Church, that no Bishop or Priest of any other Church should exercise his functions in the Diocese of another Bishop without the consent of the Bishop thereof. But the times are not ordinary times. Never since the agitation of the 16th century has there been such a wide-spread religious and ecclesiastical movement as that which marks the present day. It is not, as then, limited to Europe, but it is felt in all parts of the world. Attendant upon this religious movement there has arisen a wide-spread spirit of scepticism and scientific doubt, which aims at sapping the very foundation of the Church of Christ. At such a moment as this, and under circumstances such as these, the whole body of the Church may fairly turn to the Christian Episcopate for guidance and instruction. For such guidance and direction you, Reverend Sir, and your brethren have turned to the Anglican Episcopate, and have asked their sympathy and aid in the peculiar circumstances and pressing difficulties under which you labour. While prepared, therefore, to sympathise with any movement for reform which is in harmony with those principles on which the Church of England reformed itself, and to express its readiness to aid those

Churches and communities which, under such insuperable difficulties, are striving to free themselves from the yoke of error and superstition, the Conference was not unmindful of the Canonical rule of the Church, to which I have already referred, and of the respect which is due to the legitimate action of Church Order in the different Provinces and Dioceses in Christendom.

The general principle which the Lambeth Conference affirmed, with special reference to the Churches of the Anglican Communion, applies with equal force to the Catholic Church everywhere, viz: The legitimate action of National Churches, and the authority of Bishops in their own Dioceses. But this principle assumes the rightful liberty and independence of National Churches and their Bishops—a principle which is, however, entirely traversed by the present constitution of the Church of Rome. The application of those principles of Church order which are essential for discipline in ordinary times are, however, subject to modification or suspension when the necessities of the Church demand the application of a principle of yet higher obligation. Hence we find, from the teaching and practice of some of the most eminent Fathers and Bishops of the primitive Church, that whenever the faith was endangered by heresy or persecution, and heretical Bishops would ordain none but heretical clergy, they did not hesitate to act in virtue of the commission which the Episcopate has received from Christ for the preservation of the Faith and Government of His Church, and to ordain orthodox men in such Dioceses, though contrary to the common rule of the Church. They asked for no dispensation from the Bishop of Rome, or from any other Bishop, but as members of the one Episcopate to which Christ had intrusted the preservation of the Faith, and as Catholic Bishops of the universal Church, they felt themselves bound, individually, to exercise their Episcopal power in any part of the world where the necessities of the Church required it, and the Faith was endangered.

It was in virtue of this great Commission which the Episcopate has received from Christ for the preservation of the Faith and the Government of His Church, and for the protection of those who should suffer for it, that the Bishops of the Anglican Communion convened at Lambeth, authorized a committee of their own number to offer such help as they might need to those Churches and Christian communities which, seeking to free themselves from the intolerable yoke of Papal usurpation, and from the compulsory acceptance of novel and un-Catholic doctrines enforced upon them by their own Bishops, were striving to reform themselves on the model of the Primitive Church, and should appeal to them for assistance. As members of a Church thus circumstanced you and your brethren have availed yourselves of **this offer** and have appealed to that committee.

As I intimated to you at the commencement of this letter, the committee, in acknowledgment of your appeal, has authorized me to communicate with you, and has referred you to me for guidance and direction, with the view of providing for you the aid which you need. I am prepared to undertake the work thus far intrusted to me, and by recognizing your mission, based upon the principles enunciated in your letter, and tendering to it a provisional oversight, to place you in a position to confer with me officially on the details of the work in which you are engaged."

And M. Loyson writes me from Paris on the 7th of December: "The Primus has authorized me to publish the correspondence which is the starting point of our work in its actual form, as a mission, without its own bishop." He had told me before of the withdrawal of all government obstacles to the organization of a congregation. He adds in this letter, "The excellent Mr. R. (an American I am glad to say) has rented an admirable building in the centre of Paris, and will add the amount of money needed to put it in repair. Once organized, the committee will undoubtedly re-imburse him, but he is none the less very generous in making the advance. Such friends are rare, and we ought to esteem them at their worth, and when God grants them, thank Him as for a signal benefit." And then he adds, what is the enthusiastic mainspring of his life, "What glory and what happiness to consecrate one's entire life, in poverty, and if need be in opprobrium and under anathema to the upbuilding of this eternal city of God and man, which is the Catholic Church of our Lord Jesus Christ."

I wait anxiously for further news of this. Money is wanted for its beginning, and a priest or priests to help in the upbuilding. But the great difficulties, civil and ecclesiastical, are removed, and that the Lambeth Conference made this possible is justification a thousand times over for its assembling, and indication of God's Hand in it.

It is of course impossible for me to take up one by one the reports and results of the Conference. But there are two matters about which I was deeply interested, of which I must speak at length in connection with what I have to say of the Conference itself; and they happen to be the Alpha and Omega of the reports. I said in this same presence a year ago that "it would be the special hope and purpose of my going to secure some plan to be submitted afterward to the deliberative bodies of each National Church for the formation of a General Council, in which each National Church should be represented by delegates, Episcopal, clerical and lay, and whose decisions should be binding only upon such National Churches as should approve and adopt them." Those who were with me in the Conference, and especially my Rt. Rev. Brethren, with whom I was associated in the committee on the first subject, will bear witness, I am sure, that I strove with all my power

to accomplish something more definite than we attained. It would be idle to pretend that the report of the Conference on this great subject is all that one could want. But it is ungracious for me not to add that my urgency of the matter was respectfully received ; that it gave some tones of stronger color to the report, than it would otherwise have had ; and, taking the testimony of my brethren of Pittsburgh and Western New York as to the great advance of the second over the first Conference in definiteness and distinctness of purpose and result, and accepting the existing condition of things in the English Church, I am inclined to believe that all was done that could have been. I am at least clear that the third Conference of Bishops will have one great advantage over the other two—for the suggestion is sure to be adopted which the bishops unanimously made, that “in future the Conference shall be invested with somewhat larger liberty as to initiation and selection of subjects for discussion.” And if another Conference should be called as the report suggests “at the request of, or in consultation with, the Bishops of our Communion,” the Archbishop calling it would feel himself relieved, by sharing it, of the very serious personal responsibility devolved on him when he is the only convener ; and the Bishops attending would be freer, as not merely invited guests of the most gracious host in the world, but as brothers meeting together on the common and equal ground of Bishops in the Church of God. Meanwhile I am glad that we have devised, what I hope will be adopted, a better name than the “Anglican Communion,” which savors too much of imitation of the name of the Pope’s Church ; namely “the Church of England, and the Churches in visible communion with her.” And I call attention to the curious fact that M. Loyson, before our meeting, devised the name of Anglo-American, and goes further than we should in what he says of an Œcumenical Council. The Conference said, “The assembling of a true General Council, such as the Church of England has always declared her readiness to resort to is, in the present condition of Christendom unhappily, but obviously, impossible.” M. Loyson says, “In the divided condition of the Church, Œcumenical Councils are not possible. I add that happily they are not necessary, for there is no more either dogma to formulate or heresy to proscribe.” I have added that portion of the Report of the Conference to this address, because in all its points I think it the most important report of the Conference ; and I believe I think this, not because I had a hand in its draughting, but because the matters with which it deals are the critical and cardinal questions which most concern our national Church, in its relation to the Mother Church and to the Colonial Branches.

To what I have said of the other determinations of the Bishops, I must add a word about the last subject of our discussion. Carried

with a remarkable unanimity and justly regarded as a wise and gracious resolution of a vexed and difficult question, I still regard its introduction as an unfortunate mistake, because it was not on the "agenda paper;" because it dealt only with one of many practical difficulties which should have been treated, if it was; and because it came in so late in the session: and, therefore, I protested against its consideration from the start, as did many others.

But for the fact that we found ready-made to hand a statement in almost all points unobjectionable, drawn up years ago (it is an open secret to say) by the subtle pen of the late Bishop of Winchester, the side wind which brought this issue before the Conference, outside of its announced subjects, would have drifted us on the rocks. As it is, I cordially accept its statement as to the position of the Church of England upon this mooted question, and of course of our own Church, which is the same; though with humble deference to the exact scholarship of the distinguished author of "*Epistola centum Episcoporum, etc., Græce et Latine reddita*," I think the *ἐξέιναι* in Greek, and *licere* in Latin, are stronger words than we used when we said, that "no minister of the Church is *authorized* to require from those who may resort to him to open their grief a particular and detailed enumeration of their sins."

This portion of the report you will find printed with my Address, because its great importance demands your consideration. In England, just now, popular feeling, with its usual indiscrimination between truth and untruth, is roused and greatly excited on this subject. With us, there is but little if any of this, or of any other extreme of teaching or of practice. The use of private confession is an inherent right of sinners, and the power of absolution is involved in the office of every Priest. With Rome, it is used as food. To the Protestant it is poison. With us it is neither, but a medicine which needs careful prescribing and administering, and infrequent use. To deny and denounce it, is the act of ignorance or insincerity. To urge its common use as "a requisite to the reception of the Holy Communion," or as "a condition of the higher spiritual life," not only is dishonest to the Church, but is so blindly in the face of experience, as to be what the lawyers call "dangerous insanity." For the corrupt morals of Roman Catholic countries and the irreligiousness and non-attendance of men at the sacraments are the direct and natural fruit of compulsory and constant private confession. To prescribe the manner of its use, is the plain right and duty of a Church, and this Church has prescribed it in a way that ought to prevent the false statement of some, that private confession is altogether disallowed among us; or the perversion of others, who, in spite of plain ecclesiastical prescription and purpose, are a law unto themselves. Having said this in justice to myself

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and to many other and wiser men who felt with me upon this subject and in explanation of my effort to exclude its consideration, and my subsequent vote for the adoption of the words as finally proposed, I have said all that is either needful or proper for me to say.

Of the broader and more general subject of the spirit of the Conference itself, there is much that I should be glad enough to say if there were time to say it here and now. Where I have already spoken, and in what I have written, I have said enough of the personal things. As those memorable days come back to me now, the opening service at Canterbury, our first gathering for Holy Communion in the Chapel at Lambeth, our daily meetings there for morning prayer, our celebration on St. James Day, our committee meetings, our sitting together for the two weeks in the Palace Library, the remainder that comes back to me with clearest and strongest emphasis is the deepened and increased realization that was upon us all the while, of the meaning and majesty of one article in the Nicene Creed, "I believe in one Catholic and Apostolic Church." There was a feeling through the Conference, as though Isaiah's prophecies, that lie with every year under the star of our Epiphany-keeping, were not only sounding in our ears, but standing with partial fulfilment before our eyes. "Lift up thine eyes round about, and see : all they gather themselves together, they come to thee : thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. Thy gates shall be open continually ; they shall not be shut day nor night ; that men may bring unto thee the forces of the Gentiles, and that their kings may be brought, Thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise. Thy people, also, shall be all righteous: they shall inherit the land forever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified. A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation : I the Lord will hasten it in his time. Kings shall be thy nursing fathers, and their queens thy nursing mothers; and thou shalt know that I am the Lord : for they shall not be ashamed that wait for me."

I knew well enough that we were to separate and come back to the plain and unromantic details of each Bishop's work, to the cares and anxieties and disappointments and discouragements which wear, far more than hardest work, a Bishop's life. I knew that we were to turn from all the prestige which attaches to a Bishop in England, and I was glad of it, for it means, what a true man likes best, that we were to stand first upon the spiritual glory of our office, and then on our personal manhood. I knew that we were to come away from a hospitality as lavish and incessant, that what seem to us magnificent in- hardly be equal to the expenses of those who so literally fulfil the description of a Bishop as one "given to hospitality." I do not regret that, for after all, the intimate welcomes of dear



homes in my own Diocese are better than this. And I knew that I was to come from the glory of the English church buildings to the comparative commonness of even the best of ours, and to the superlative commonness of this dear ugly building that takes to Christmas decorations naturally, because it is so like the stable of the first Christmas. And I was always glad of that—in prospect and in hope, and never so glad as when I knelt in it on Christmas morning. But through all these prospects, and still more, now in retrospect, I felt that I must be more of a Bishop and more of a man from the baptism of the power of the Second Lambeth Conference; because in size, in spirit, in character, in representative extent, in loving brotherliness, in single-mindedness, in unity, in ability, in intellectuality, in spirituality, from beginning to end, it made me know, as I never knew before, the meaning of the Creed's outburst of proud and joyful faith, as much part of every whole belief as the first Article, "I believe in One Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church." I would to God that some magnetic power were mine to thrill this message, and the meaning of it, into all the hearts of all that were not there.

In the first place it would be the needed flame to kindle anew our consecration to missions. The Conference was steeped in missionary zeal. The very presence of the men there was a stimulus—men that bore almost as the Nicene Bishops did, the stigmata: Guiana, fresh and strong under thirty-six years of West Indian work, and Adelaide with the honours, vigorously borne, of thirty-one years of Australian service, and dear Bishop Medley, the Nestor of the American Colonial Episcopate; and beside them, Capetown and Colombo, with the dew of the womb of the morning on them, in the devotion of their fresh manhood to the work in Africa and India. Certainly one-third of the number were Missionary Bishops. And added to all this was the ubiquitous presence of the "Venerable Society of the Propagation of the Gospel," which had retained every one of us in its service, and made London, England almost, ring from one end to the other, with new voices telling the old story, and pleading the old cause.

In the next place if Churchmen, the world over could have seen, or can be made to realize even now, the significance of that assemblage, it would uplift and enlarge their vision about the Church. "Glorious things are spoken of thee, thou City of God;" and yet our ears are stuffed with private interests and personal feelings, and petty prejudices, till we hear them not. It is not too much, I think, to say that the great hindrance in England to the development of the Church, has been Establishment *arianism*, and the great difficulty of our outgrowth is Protestant Episcopal *ianism*. I dwell upon the last syllable of these words, because it is this syllable *ism* which makes contemptible even good names and words. I am as strongly favourable to the establishment of the Church



in England, as I am content with the *Protestant* and *Episcopal* phase of the Church in America. And I am as devoutly thankful for the unestablished condition of the American Church as I am impressed with the better and truer meaning of the name, Church of England. But the English Church is something more than the Established Church; and we are something beside the Protestant Episcopal Church. And England's spiritual awakening is synchronous with the realization that the Church there is not the creature of the State. There are a few anachronisms still living there who forget this. But Churchmen in England know to-day that their lineage and their life trace back past the days of the Eighth Henry, (who was a full-blown specimen of Roman training), past even the days when Augustine brought a strain of Gallican and Ephesian blood into the succession, to the Church which he *found* there, in its apostolic constitution; which had sent its Bishops to take part in the Councils of Arles and Sardica in the third century; whose proto-martyr St. Alban, the "egregius Albanus," a layman, was "brought forth" by what the historian calls, "fecunda Brittania" (even then the mother of Saints), three centuries before Augustine came to Canterbury; and which claims, upon almost indisputable authority, St. Paul as its first planter. In the same way, Protestant by name and in nature, as witnesses for all truth and against all error, and Episcopal, even through the tautology of the word, because we believe Bishops to be needful, not for the well-being, but for the being of the Church, we not only have our right and title in all the ancestral glories of the Saxon and British Churches, but we have our old surname in common with them as part of the Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. If my surname were Shakspeare or Washington, I should like to be called William or George, to complete the evidence of my descent; but in spite of any cog-nomen, I should be proudest of the *nomen*, and hold to it through every thing. Now I am very sure that the gathering in England of Bishops that represented the roundness of the world de-insularized the mere Anglicanism, or the merer Erastianism of English churchmen. And its reaction here must lift us out of our narrow horizon to take in the catholicity of the Church. If it did nothing else it would make us *comprehensive*, which is almost the synonym of Catholic. For the Church that takes in "all nations and kindreds and tongues," cannot afford to be sectarian and uncharitable and intolerant of varying opinions and individualities of thought. Walk about this Zion and go round about her, and as you pass around the globe from the Cape of Good Hope to the Australian Plains, or from New Zealand to the Falkland Islands, you can "tell her towers and mark her bulwarks," set up everywhere for the defence and proclamation of "the Faith once delivered to the saints." So you will find more and more what these one hundred Bishops

meant, of the gradual fulfilment of the Saviour's commission "from Jerusalem to Judea and Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth." I believe there is a larger thing than this, for there is a commonness of Catholicity invisible and inoperative, in Orders, in the old Creeds and in the Sacraments, between us and the great communions of Greek and Latin Christianity. And even beyond these, there is a common catholicity of believing Christendom, inorganic, and yet in some sort vital; for the one Baptism of water and the Spirit, and in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, unites believers to the one Lord. "One is not baptized," M. Loyson says, "Greek or Roman, or Anglican, or Protestant, but Christian into the one Universal Church." But narrower and nearer than this, and yet far broader than we are wont to recognize, is the catholicity of our visible Communion that can be utilized and realized. And I want the Priest to know, who is fighting heathenism and heresy with the odds of numbers all against him, in the Adirondack wilderness, or in the Otsego valleys, or among the Catskill mountains in this Diocese; I want the layman, in the out of the way villages in this State, who is discouraged by the same thought that filled Philip's mind about the five barley loaves, "what am I among so many," to remember that what he sees and knows and feels of poverty, and fewness, and insignificance, is only the accidental and superficial appearance. Nay, taking our American church at the best, with its 63 Bishops and 3,000 clergymen, and 290,000 communicants, we want the stronger and more inspiring fact that actually upon the earth to-day, this very same Church, the same in doctrine, fellowship and visible communion, is world-wide, and well nigh universal, in its proclamation of the whole Word of God, its utterance of the same ancient Creeds, its ministration of the Holy Sacraments by its ministry of Apostolic order; till the Pentecostal miracle has become the established fact, and in all the languages of the world, "every man in his own dialect in which he was born," hears from its mouth "the wonderful works of God." A citizen of no mean city, the tent-maker of Tarsus claimed to be; and the remotest missionary, the loneliest communicant, the least child anywhere, has right and reason to claim, that he is a free-born citizen of this great city, whose "foundations are upon the holy hills" of the Crucifixion and the Ascension; whose "gates the Lord loveth more than all the dwellings of Jacob;" whose roll of citizenship\* reaches back to the

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\* The extensiveness of the Church is indicated by the fact, taken from an English paper, that the number of those who took part in the proceedings was exactly a hundred, made up as follows: English, 35 (namely, all the diocesans except Durham and Worcester, with the three suffragans, three coadjutors, and Bishop Perry); 9 Irish (all except Cork, Kilmore and Tuam); 7 Scotch; 17 American, besides the Bishop of Shanghai and the autocephalic negro Bishop of Haiti; 7 Canadian; 3 Indian; 5 West Indian; 3 Australian; 2 New Zealand.

I may add that these 100 Bishops represented a united Episcopate of two hun-

first called of the Apostles, and takes in the innumerable company of the saints of every age, outnumbering by millions the living, and filling Paradise with the perfect worship of the Church at rest.

There is no sharp and sudden passing, in turning from the greatness of the Church at work, to the glory of the Church at rest. And surely there is no incongruity in passing from the consideration of the Lambeth Conference to speak of Selwyn, who was the creator of the first Conference, and to whom, under God, was due, in very large degree, whatever of efficacy it attained; as well as the conception and calling of this second Conference. Had he been with us last year, more I think would have been attained toward organizing some permanent Assembly or Congress of the Churches in communion with the Church of England. An Englishman to the marrow of his bones, in the best sense of that large word, he was no Anglican, in the poor sense of that word. His feet had been set in the large room of his Colonial Episcopate. And he took in, in his great mind, and even greater heart, the two continents not only, but the antipodes of the world. He was the Corresponding Secretary of the English Episcopate since the first Conference. His name under its old and most honoured form of G. A. New Zealand, was signed to the report of the Conference of 1867, "advising that the next Assembly should differ from the present Conference in being attended by both Clerical and Lay Representatives of the several Churches, as consulters and advisers, each Diocese being allowed to send besides its Bishop, a Presbyter and a lay member of the Church, if they should desire to be thus represented." And I confess that when the news came of his death, I not only echoed the words of one of my Rt. Rev. Brethren, "alas, alas, the death of Selwyn; there is nobody on the other side like-minded to us;" but I felt as though the leader was gone, and the Conference must, humanly speaking, be staggered and shattered by the loss. Thank God, this was not so. His spirit was felt and owned in our meetings, by none more positively than by the Archbishop of Canterbury. And its larger recognition of what the gathered utterance and action of Catholic Bishops ought to be, was due to what he had done in the eleven years of his residence in England. And what a man he was to have known, to number in our days among the Bishops of the Church! "A Prince and a great man fell in Israel" when Selwyn died. His very look, and gait, and voice, bespoke it. And no one

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dred Bishops, knit together by the strong bond of common orders. I greatly wish that such information were spread before the eyes of our Church people as the Rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy, embodies with his annual announcement of service under the name of "the Churchman's Almanac." And I say plainly that no man can be an intelligent and educated churchman, to-day, not reading the Lambeth Conference Reports, and some record of Church life and work at home and abroad.

who knew him failed to feel that, far beyond the measure of most men's possibilities, he grew up, evenly in mind, and soul, and heart, and body, to the fullest maturity of manhood. I had the honour of representing the American Church at a meeting in the large room of the National Society last July, on behalf of the proposed monument to him, the establishment of Selwyn College in the University of Cambridge. Since 1841, when my father brought back from England the engraving of Richmond's exquisite picture of his beautiful face, I had loved and honoured him. With him, in my own Diocese and home, in the house of the Bishop of Maryland, and beside my Father's grave who was his congenial friend, and in his own home and Cathedral in England, my reverence and admiration for him grew with each sound of his voice. And as I listened to the tributes that came to him from those who were his friends at Eton and Cambridge, from his brother Bishops, and from the leading laity of England, and lent my voice to swell the chorus of honour to his illustrious name; I felt that the love and appreciation on our side of the water warranted my proposing to found an American scholarship in the College intended "to perpetuate the noble character and great labours of Bishop Selwyn."

Sorrowing for the loss of this most admirable Bishop we went to the Conference. Since we have come away, we have all of us felt in fullest sympathy the weight of a sorrow, in some sort, so private, that one hesitates to speak of it, in another so widespread a calamity that one cannot hold his peace. England was in mourning when I came away, with the venerable Primate who, after months of the bravest patience under the bereavement of his only son's death, was still more deeply bereaved by the sudden death of Mrs. Tait. No Bishop was there at Lambeth who will not recal the rare combination in her, of the graces of the two sisters at Bethany. A most devout woman in all the expression of her religious life, as to its acts of worship, as to its works of mercy, indefatigable among the poor, closely and constantly associated with one of the religious houses in England, she was, beside all this, not "*cumbered*" ever, but occupied "with much serving," in all domestic duties, in the management of the large household, in the administration of its enormous and incessant hospitalities, and in those dearer duties, whose results are the only evidence of their doing, to her husband "whose heart doth safely trust in her," and to her children "who arise up and call her blessed." Hindered most reluctantly from being present at her burial, I add my grateful tribute of loving admiration to the memory of a genuine Christian lady, to whom the English Church owes more than we know. "A woman that feared the Lord, she shall be praised and her own works shall praise her in the gates."

There are innumerable other things upon which I could gladly linger did the time allow. My work in England was chiefly, of course, in the Conference and its committees. I preached four times in London, twice in St. Paul's Cathedral, in the Parish Church at Cuddesdon, three times in the English Church at Schwalbach, twice in our own Church at Rome, and once in Paris, and twice on the steamship; besides various and almost incessant speeches at missionary gatherings, in London, Canterbury, Wells, at the speech day of St. Chad's College, Denstone, and elsewhere. I was present at the Anglo-Continental Society's meeting at Farnham Castle, and print my note of its spirit in the Appendix to this Address. And I had the privilege of giving confirmation to an Italian woman in the old Colonna Palace in Rome. I was present at the commemoration service in St. Augustine's, Canterbury, when Bishop Coxe preached what turned out both a "sang" and "a sermon;" and I found great refreshment of mind and body, and soul too, in delightful visits to the Bishops of Lincoln and Peterborough, and Bath and Wells and St. Albans, and to the Archbishop of York; beside very great enjoyment of the hospitalities of Lambeth Palace, of the Precincts at Canterbury, of Canon Gregory's house in Amen Corner of St. Paul's churchyard, And I can cordially reciprocate what an English paper said of us after our first fortnight there: "By one of the usual coincidences," the editor writes, "the first Lesson on Sunday referred to Brother Jonathan, and Churchmen after this visit will say of him, 'Very pleasant hast thou been unto us. Thy love to us is wonderful.'" Of personal friends made, and private hospitalities enjoyed the memory will never fade, though the mention of them does not belong here.

I add from my Letter to our Missionary Paper, my own record of the opening and closing services, with the printed statement of the Archbishop's farewell words; and set in an Appendix an extract from an editorial of the *London Times*, which having avowedly no opinions of its own is the very best reflection of the current thought of the day.

The Service of Welcome in the glorious old Cathedral of Canterbury, and the Closing Service in the great Cathedral of London, were the fitting exordium and peroration of the Second Lambeth Conference.

Of the first, any who were privileged to share in it will bear me out in saying that it not merely photographed, but fairly burned into all hearts and minds, a picture which nothing can ever efface. A dear English friend, whose home is in the precincts of the Cathedral, and who made me welcome there, said: "Canterbury has seen no such sight since the Reformation." Robing in the library of the Cathedral, and gathering afterward in the Chapter-House, the Bishops joined the great procession of choristers and priests, and walking round the south

side of the nave, chanting the 121st and other Psalms, met the Archbishop, with his attendant Chaplains and Registrars, at the great west door, which is never used except for the Archbishops' visitations. To stand by that open door at any time, and see the light creep up the long nave, and glorify column and corbel and roof, is a vision of imperishable beauty. But to enter it as we did that afternoon, and to see up the great length of the nave, and up the great height of the steps leading to the choir, the white-robed procession filling all, and passing two by two, out of sight, behind the curtains of the great stone screen, was something almost more than even a long-life remembrance. It seemed for an instant unearthly and unreal, as though it were a Fra-Angelico picture of the Last Judgment, in which the angels were welcoming in within the veil "the great multitude clothed with white robes."

It was enough, if there had been no more. But the more was not wanting. The venerable Archbishop, with the greatest dignity and graciousness of voice and manner, sitting in the old stone chair which tradition calls St. Augustine's, delivered his address of welcome. Very impressive and cordial it was, with a touch of personal tenderness in its allusion to the great sorrow of his son's death. Then followed, what always follows in a Cathedral — and its always following, like the "as aforetime" in Daniel's prayer, is its beautiful power — the daily Evensong, filling the hearts of the worshippers, and the great spaces of the Cathedral, and the very firmament of the sky, and entering into the ear of the great High-priest in heaven! Under such a benediction, which came like the dew of the morning upon the fore-front of the Conference, one could not doubt the blessing that would assuredly fall with the evening dew of its close.

The Bishops were not all present at St. Paul's on Saturday the 27th, for the closing Service of the Conference. But more than eighty of us met the Archbishop at the west door. By an arrangement as clever as it was courteous, avoiding questions of precedence, and assigning posts of honour to the Bishops from abroad, each American Bishop walked with an English one. It was my privilege to be side by side with Moberly, loved as he is honoured, and as he deserves to be, in both the Churches. Our own Bishop of Pennsylvania made us all proud of him as the preacher of the day. The *Te Deum* used as an introit, and the music of the Communion Office, were very grand. The great Church was well filled, and the number of persons of all

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\*At its close Dr. Stainer, who had come over from Paris to preside at the organ on this memorable occasion, played the Old Hundredth and Hallelujah Chorus. Meanwhile the Bishops returned to the apse, where a few words were addressed to them before they separated by the Archbishop in acknowledgment of the admirable spirit which had been manifested by the Conference during the whole of its proceedings. "I feel confident," said the Most Rev. Prelate, "that the effect



orders and ranks and conditions that communicated made the scene very impressive.\* Afterwards the Bishops gathered once more, but only to separate under the Archbishop's loving farewell; never again all of us to meet here, and yet never again, thank God, to feel apart; for the drawings and tightenings of brotherly love which this Conference has brought about can never be sundered.

It falls to another lot than mine to speak to American Churchmen of our Chaplaincies on the Continent. They are, I am glad to say, in the admirable keeping of the Bishop of Long Island. I content myself with the expression of the grateful pride which we must all feel in Dr. Nevin's recognized position in England, in Germany, in Italy, in France, as the trusted and confidential adviser of the leading religious thinkers and workers of this century; and in the success of his personal work in Rome, where our Church witnesses to primitive truth in every outline of its architecture, in the stones that are sermons, as well as in the sermons that are not stones. So, too, in Paris, wise and faithful ministrations are not only caring for our own people, but attracting the attention and winning the admiration of strangers to the purity and power of the Faith and Order of the Church. A new Church of twice the present size is an absolute and immediate necessity and duty in Paris. And it is not Mr. Morgan's fault that it is not built.

Outside of this there are some words which I must utter here. I am quite sure that our Church people at home hardly realize what is happening on the Continent of Europe to-day in a religious, or an irreligious point of view. So far as its hold upon the people is concerned, Christianity is almost effete. It is a mere question of national temperament, what phase this condition assumes. Germany is threatened with a hard-headed and cold-hearted heathenism. In Italy there is awakening a sober and serious distrust of all religious observance. And France is a strange mixture of polite indifference, and ironical contempt and hatred of religious belief.

Still, I believe it is the preparation and the precursor of better things. Sovereigns and people alike must see, that the extreme radicalism which denounces and seeks to destroy all human authority, is the under side of the blaspheming infidelity which denies and would dethrone God. If for no other reason, political motives will lead men to dis-

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of our gathering will be that the Church at home and abroad will be strengthened by the mutual counsel which we have taken together; and I trust that the blessing of Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, may attend each one of us in our several spheres when we depart from this place. In the name of the Bishops of England, I beg to convey to those of our brethren, who have come hither from foreign lands our heartfelt thanks, and to bid them in the name of God farewell!"

The Most Rev. Prelate, who evidently spoke with deep emotion, uttered these words with great solemnity, and after a few moments spent in silent prayer, the assembly broke up, and the Lambeth Conference of 1878 was at an end. The service lasted three hours.—*London Times*.



trust the infidel systems which are part and parcel, nay, which are the very inspiration of the infamous attempts upon the life of Emperors and Kings. On the other hand, that the outcome of mere Protestantism in Germany is, that a Protestant there means an unbeliever; while the outcome of absolute spiritual despotism in Rome is, that a city where Priests and Monks and Nuns once made a tenth of the population is a city blatant with practical irreligion, these are proving the impotence of either system to mould the faith of nations. The one is the Bible without the Church, and the other the Church without the Bible; and either, being imperfect, must be unsuccessful; a sort of sacrament in one kind. Just at this juncture "as out of the nettle danger, men pluck the flower safety," so, out of the progressive liberalism, with all its political heresies, men gather that tolerance of religious differences which makes Old Catholicism recognized in Germany, and leaves the Church free to live within the walls of Rome, and opens to-day the opportunity to M. Loyson, to begin a regular service, and establish a regular congregation in Paris, under the protection of the government.

What does this mean for us? It means the duty for a Church free and true as ours is, to plant here and there, and to sustain "congregations of faithful men in which the word of God is truly preached, and the sacraments duly administered according to God's ordinance."

Whatever difficulties may have existed years ago about questions of canonicity or courtesy, in intruding into the Diocese of another Bishop, they do not exist now. In the first place, the late decrees of Roman Councils have discharged all Catholic Christians from any allegiance to, or any recognition of the jurisdiction of, any Bishop of Rome. And in the next place there is no Diocese in Europe where any independent Bishop has jurisdiction; for Rome is an intruder into them all, and the Bishops that are so called are only the subordinates and representatives of the Pope. The Roman Catholic world to-day is Presbyterian between the death of one Pope and the election of another. For there is now but one Bishop in the Vatican, and when he dies, there is none till his successor is enthroned.

I never felt this so strongly as now. The *raison-d'être* of English or American congregations on the continent is that the Churches must care for their own people, resident in or passing through these great Continental centres. But they have even a larger and higher function to discharge. And in some places they are realizing and fulfilling it.

Speaking entirely without any prejudice against the dear old Church of England, I am sure we are better able to leaven this enormous mass than she is. For, in the first place, we can show what the sad experience of Europe demands, a Church loyal to, and yet independent of, the State. And there is a certain Anglicanism about the Church of

England, from which by force of circumstances we are free, which hinders her from going out to the varying needs of the various nations. Beside these the tone of the American Church to-day is more Catholic than the tone of the Church of England. There is no such party spirit among us. There are no such excesses of ritual, and there are no such extremes of unchurchliness. The Church is sounder and more at one. And while a Roman Catholic would decline to learn much from a service that differs scarcely in externals from his own, or to adopt it as *a change*; neither Romanist nor Protestant is likely to be helped or attracted by teachings or practices, which ignore alike the realities and the reverence of Christian teaching and worship.

Where the Church is strongly established and clearly set forth as I have found it in Paris, and as, thank God, it is especially in Rome, it is telling, and it will tell. And I believe to-day, that a fuller and larger support of continental Churches and the appointment of a Bishop over them, able to give his whole time to them, are among the first duties of our Church at home. The Episcopal oversight, except possibly in the case of the Bishop of Gibraltar must from the nature and necessity of things be the merest shadow of a name; and in the eyes of Greek and Latin Christians, the Bishop is of the essence of the Church. I am sanguine to believe that canonical difficulties can be removed if they exist, and that if precedents cannot be found, they must be made. The establishment of two chapels where one is sufficient, whether that one be English or American, is discountenanced by the Conference. And, while we are not called upon at present, so far as I know, to establish any more Continental Chaplaincies, perhaps not even to maintain all that we have; we can give weight and life, and influence to all of them by a Bishop, resident and present in Europe, with such charge as might be delegated to him from the Church of England, with the direction of our European Churches, and with the opportunity and duty to represent the Church, in conference and correspondence with the foreign leaders of "such movements of reform as are upon the model of the Primitive Church."

Turning from this question of irreligion on the Continent, to the possibility of similar dangers at home, from a lack of godly and well-learned ministers, I am compelled to ask the earnest attention of my lay brethren in the Diocese to the question of the support of our theological students. I am in all ways sorry to do it. It is a sad fact that fewer and fewer instances occur of the offering of this highest honour and holiest vocation of the sons of wealthy men. It speaks ill, it seems to me, for the effect of money upon character, that it blinds the eyes of its possessors till they cannot see, how far beyond all earthly callings is the privilege of consecrating a son, or devoting a life to the nearest service of the Master. So I should say, it speaks ill for the

education of the day, that it is so secular and so material that it trains men towards every aspiration but the highest and holiest ambition and aim. But it is true, with exceptions growing fewer here and in England. I believe the infamous estimate which vulgar and uneducated wealth sets upon the ministry, as the mere hirelings of pew-holders, while they are pleased to pay wages, largely accounts for it. Whatever be the reasons, the ranks of our ministry are largely recruited from two classes of men, unable to give the means for the thorough education of their sons: clergymen, and the poorer lay people.

One other thing is true, that no more useless and dangerous class of men can be imagined, than a ministry uneducated or half-furnished for its work.

And still one other thing is true, that it is quite impossible for a boy or a young man, harassed with anxiety about the means to pay his bills, or compelled to spend hours of his week in teaching or in work, to study well, with the uninterrupted time, and a quiet mind that are not conducive only but essential to learning.

The Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning has always treated this Diocese with a very generous justice, appropriating its fair share of moneys to the support of its students. And I do not want to divert from that treasury the offerings of the various congregations for Theological Education.

But I must have more money for the young men, who are preparing for the ministry, to buy their books and pay their College and Seminary bills; and I turn with confidence to the laymen of this Diocese, addressing them severally, and asking them *without delay* to send me such sums as they are willing to entrust to me for this important object. I need at least from five hundred to seven hundred and fifty dollars a year, to use quietly and at my discretion, that the students of theology in this Diocese may be kept from the anxiety of debt and poverty, which interferes alike with their spirit and their power of study; or from being compelled to "entangle themselves with the affairs of this life," which distract their minds and absorb their time.

And now I have but to put before you the resumé of my home work, and turn with you to our deliberations for the common weal of the Diocese after we have been strengthened and made one with each other, by the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood.

Since my return to the Diocese, on St. Stephen's Day, I had the great pleasure, in the Chapel of the Cathedral, of listening to the words of warm welcome from the President of the Standing Committee, to whom I owe so much, as does the Diocese, and from whom I shall have now, if possible, more than ever of sympathy in the worries of Episcopal duty. I replied to the address, and afterwards celebrated the Holy Communion. The congregation was large, and included many more

clergy and laity, than I thought could come at a time, so soon after Christmas, and so near the meeting of the Convention.

On the first Sunday after Christmas, I consecrated the new bell, in the Church of the Messiah, Greenbush, whose material building is greatly improved by the new tower, which Mr. Chapman's unwearied work has built, and filled with a sweet toned bell.

On the second Sunday after Christmas I preached at the Rector's request, and celebrated the Holy Communion in St. Peter's Church, Albany. And in the evening of the same day, in St. John's Church, Cohoes, I preached and confirmed thirty-three persons.

The detailed record of acts is as follows :

Confirmed (including one person from St. Paul's Church, Rome, seven confirmed by Bishop Bissell, in Christ Church, Rouses Point, and one confirmed by Bishop Seymour at Sabbathday Point), 857; Celebrations of the Holy Communion, 37; Sermons, 79; Addresses, 13; Clergy dismissed, 9; Clergy received, 13; Clergy added by ordination, 1. Present number of Clergy: Bishop, 1; Priests, 106; Deacons, 10; Total, 117. Priests ordained, (1 by the Bishop of New York, 1 by the Bishop of Springfield), 4; Deacon ordained, 1; Ordinations, 5; Postulants admitted, 2; admitted as Candidates for Deacon's Order, 4; admitted as Candidates for Priest's Order, 4; Total Candidates for Deacon's Order, 10; Total Candidates for Priest's Order, 8; Total Candidates for Holy Orders, 18; Licensed as Lay Readers, 8; Missions organized, 4; Baptisms, 3; Marriages, 3; Burials, 3; Clergyman deposed, by the Bishop of Connecticut, at the request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, 1; Notices of Deposition, 17.

I have attended the following meetings :

Board of Missions, 3; General Theological Seminary, 1; Managers of the Missionary Society, 2; Trustees of the Corning Foundation, 2; Chapter of the Cathedral, 6; Managers of the Child's Hospital, 6; the Lambeth Conference, and the conference in connection with the work of the Anglo-Continental Society.

#### ORDINATIONS, A. D. 1878.

April 23.—Bradford R. Kirkbride, to the Diaconate, and the Rev. Charles Tileston Whittemore, and the Rev. Robert Granger, to the Priesthood, in Zion Church, Sandy Hill.

June 10.—The Rev. William Morton Pickslay, to the Priesthood, in the Church of the Transfiguration, in the city of New York, by the Bishop of New York.

November 9. —The Rev. James Biggar Wasson, to the Priesthood, in St. Luke's Church, Troy, by the Bishop of Springfield.

## CLERGYMEN RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

February 27. The Rev. Eugene L. Toy, from the Diocese of Montana.

April 13. The Rev. Samuel H. Coxe, D. D., from the Diocese of Central New York.

April 29. The Rev. F. B. Crozier, from the Diocese of Fredericton.

May 1. The Rev. Charles C. Fiske, from the Diocese of New Jersey

June 30. The Rev. John Townsend, from the Diocese of Fond du Lac.

September 18. The Rev. James B. Wasson, from the Diocese of Vermont.

October 9. The Rev. Charles A. Bragdon, from the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

November 26. The Rev. George F. Breed, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

December 18. The Rev. Lewis F. Morris, from the Diocese of New York.

December 26. The Rev. Benjamin T. Hall, from the Diocese of Minnesota.

December 29. The Rev. Joseph B. Trevett, from the Diocese of Maryland.

December 29. The Rev. H. T. Leslie, from the Diocese of Ontario.

January 2, 1879. The Rev. Thomas B. Fulcher, from the Diocese of Long Island.

## CLERGYMEN DISMISSED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

April 11. The Rev. Charles Fay, D. D., to the Diocese of Vermont.

April 19. The Rev. Maunsell Van Rensselaer, D. D., to the Diocese of Long Island.

May 11. The Rev. J. Sydney Kent, to the Diocese of Western New York.

August 22. The Rev. Anson J. Brockway, to the Diocese of Ohio.

September 17. The Rev. Edward N. Goddard, to the Diocese of Montana.

September 17. The Rev. J. W. H. Weibel, to the Diocese of Western New York.

September 17. The Rev. Charles Pelletreau, to the Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

September 18. The Rev. Robert B. Van Kleeck, Jr., to the Diocese of New York.

## POSTULANTS, A. D. 1875.

April 1. Mr. Olin Hallock. May 4. Mr. J. R. Arrowsmith. October 1. Mr. F. C. Jewell.

A. D. 1876.

October 16. Mr. James Hawley.

A. D. 1877.

March 1. Mr. H. H. Metcalf. April 9. Dr. Wm. E. Rust. August 6. Mr. Robert H. Neide. November 1. Mr. John D. Kennedy.

A. D. 1878.

March 30. Mr. Frederick W. Thompson. December 22. Mr. C. D. Flagler.

CANDIDATES FOR DEACON'S ORDER, A. D. 1875.

January 13. Mr. Irving Crandall.

A. D. 1876.

March 9. Mr. John B. Hubbs, Mr. Edwin R. Armstrong, Mr. Townsend Clover Jackson. July 8. Mr. W. B. Burrows.

A. D. 1877.

December 18. Mr. Robert H. Neide.

A. D. 1878.

July 20. Mr. William Densmore Maxon, Mr. John T. Marvin, Mr. Frederick W. Thompson, Mr. William B. Guion.

CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDER, A. D. 1875.

Mr. William C. Sherman.

A. D. 1876.

The Rev. Newton Dexter.

A. D. 1877.

The Rev. Bradford R. Kirkbride, the Rev. Scott B. Rathbun.

A. D. 1878.

January 22. Mr. John Prout, Mr. O. C. Edmunds, Jr.  
September 21. Mr. Jacob Streibert, Jr.

A. D. 1879.

January 6. Mr. Frederick James Bassett.

LAY READERS LICENSED.

Mr. Walter E. Welsh, Caldwell, under the Rev. C. H. Lancaster.  
Mr. Gurdon S. Mills, Hogansburgh, under the Rev. J. N. T. Goss.  
Mr. George E. Smith, Massena, under the Rev. J. N. T. Goss.  
Mr. Frank McNaughton, Schuylerville, under the Rev. G. W. Dean,  
S. T. D.

Mr. Lorenzo McIntyre Morris, under the Rev. Hobart Cooke.  
Mr. J. H. Hulsapple, West Troy, under the Rev. H. H. Oberly.  
Mr. C. C. Edmunds, Jr.  
Mr. Benjamin O. Judson, under the Rev. H. H. Oberly.  
Mr. Richard Oates, at Colton, under the Rev. Dr. Howard.  
Mr. Robert H. Neide.  
Mr. Frederick W. Thompson.  
Mr. William D. Maxon.  
Mr. Alfred Harding, under the Rev. J. Hooper.  
Mr. G. M. Dubois, under the Rev. T. G. Clemson.  
Mr. William H. Hyde, at Oneonta.

#### NOTICES OF CLERGY DEPOSED.

September 3, 1878. Samuel Allen McCoskry, Bishop, by the Bishops of the United States of America.

December 16, 1877. Edward H. Harlow, Priest, by the Bishop of Iowa.

December 18. James S. Harrison, M. D., Priest, by the Bishop of Florida.

January 9, 1878. Samuel Cutler, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

January 15. George H. Jackson, Deacon, by the Bishop of Tennessee.

February 2. Walter S. Whitcomb, Deacon, by the Bishop of New Hampshire.

February 9. Edward Victor Beales, Deacon, by the Bishop of Missouri.

March 15. Jesse M. Williams, Deacon, by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

April 12. George Burton, Presbyter, by the Missionary Bishop of Oregon and Washington.

April 19. William Newton, Priest, by the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

April 29. Nicholas J. Seeley, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Connecticut.

June 4. George Milton Hubbard, by the Bishop of California.

October 5. Pliny B. Morgan, Priest, by the Bishop of Southern Ohio.

October 5. Edson B. Cartmill, Priest, by the Bishop of Southern Ohio.

October 24. John W. Doremus, Deacon, by the Bishop of Texas.

November 5. James Nelson Hume, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Ohio.

December 8. J. A. D. Hughes, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.



## MISSIONS ORGANIZED.

St. Luke, the Beloved Physician, Saranac Lake; The Good Shepherd, Bloomingdale; Grace, Louisville; West Stockholm.

## NOTICE.

The Church of the Redeemer, Northampton, Fulton county, having neglected, for three years in succession, viz., 1876, 1877, 1878, to make a Parochial Report, no missionary report being made on their behalf; and also, not having, during the same period, employed a clergyman as its Parish Minister, nor requested of the Ecclesiastical Authority to have the services of a missionary, has lost its connection with the Convention.

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## APPENDIX TO ADDRESS.

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### I.

#### REPORT OF \*COMMITTEE ON THE BEST MODE OF MAINTAINING UNION AMONG THE VARIOUS CHURCHES OF THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION.

1. In considering the best mode of maintaining union among the various Churches of our Communion, the Committee, first of all, recognize, with deep thankfulness to Almighty God, the essential and evident unity in which the Church of England and the Churches invisible communion with her have always been bound together. United under One Divine Head in the fellowship of the One Catholic and Apostolic Church, holding the One Faith revealed in Holy Writ, defined in the Creeds, and maintained by the Primitive Church, receiving the same Canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as containing all things necessary to salvation—these Churches teach the same Word of God, partake of the same divinely ordained Sacraments, through the Ministry of the same Apostolic Orders, and worship One God and Father through the same Lord Jesus Christ, by the same Holy and Divine Spirit, Who is given to those that believe, to guide them into all truth.

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\* The Bishops of Winchester, Oxford, Peterborough, Meath. Moray and Ross, Christchurch, Edinburgh, Pittsburgh, Western New York, Fredericton, Albany and Guiana.

2. Together with this unity, however, there has existed among these Churches that variety of custom, discipline, and form of worship which necessarily results from the exercise by each "particular or National Church" of its right "to ordain, change, and abolish ceremonies or rites of the Church ordained only by man's authority, so that all things be done to edifying." We gladly acknowledge that there is at present no real ground for anxiety on account of this diversity; but the desire has of late been largely felt and expressed, that some practical and efficient methods should be adopted, in order to guard against possible sources of disunion in the future, and at the same time further to manifest and cherish that true and substantial agreement which exists among these increasingly numerous Churches.

3. The method which naturally suggests itself, is that which, originating with the inspired Apostles, long served to hold all the Churches of Christ in one undivided and visible communion. The assembling, however, of a true General Council, such as the Church of England has always declared her readiness to resort to, is, in the present condition of Christendom, unhappily but obviously, impossible. The difficulties attending the assembling of a Synod of all the Anglican Churches, though different in character and less serious in nature, seem to us nevertheless too great to allow of our recommending it for present adoption.

4. The experiment, now twice tried, of a Conference of Bishops, called together by the Archbishop of Canterbury, and meeting under his presidency, offers at least the hope that the problem, hitherto unsolved, of combining together for consultation representatives of Churches so differently situated and administered, may find, in the providential course of events, its own solution. Your Committee would, on this point, venture to suggest that such Conferences, called together from time to time by the Archbishop of Canterbury, at the request of, or in consultation with, the Bishops of our Communion, might with advantage be invested in future with somewhat larger liberty as to the initiation and selection of subjects for discussion. For example, a Committee might be constituted, such as should represent, more or less completely, the several Churches of the Anglican Communion; and to this Committee it might be entrusted to draw up, after receiving communications from the Bishops, a scheme of subjects to be discussed.

**FROM THE REPORT OF \*COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS SUBMITTED TO THEM, IN WRITING, ETC.**

Further, having in view certain novel practices and teachings on the subject of Confession, your Committee desire to affirm that in the

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\*The Archbishops of Canterbury and Dublin; and the Bishops of New York, Barbados, Chichester, Manchester, St. Davids, Kingston, Antigua and Ruperts Land.

matter of Confession the Churches of the Anglican Communion hold fast those principles which are set forth in the Holy Scriptures, which were professed by the Primitive Church, and which were re-affirmed at the English Reformation; and it is their deliberate opinion that no Minister of the Church is authorized to require from those who may resort to him to open their grief a particular or detailed enumeration of all their sins, or to require private confession previous to receiving the Holy Communion, or to enjoin or even encourage the practice of habitual confession to a Priest, or to teach that such practice of habitual confession, or the being subject to what has been termed the direction of a Priest, is a condition of attaining to the highest spiritual life. At the same time your Committee are not to be understood as desiring to limit in any way the provision made in the Book of Common Prayer, for the relief of troubled consciences.

## II.

### CLOSE OF THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE.

The close of the Lambeth Conference was marked and announced on Saturday by a special service at St. Paul's. The Bishops who had come together from all parts of the world to take counsel with one another met for the last time officially before their final dispersion. The work of our distant visitors is not yet over. The part of it which remains undone is, indeed, not the least real and important. Now that the great Conference is at an end, conferences on a smaller scale, and with a somewhat different purpose, are already in preparation in the provinces. The earnest eloquence of the American Bishops which has thrilled London will be heard again and again, and by new listeners, before they leave our shores. But this, and all else like it, however well it may fall in with the object of the Conference, is no actual part of it. The hundred Bishops of the Church have been called together not merely to give a stir to the somewhat torpid interest which forms of religion in distant lands excite even when they most closely resemble our own. The Conference has had its own proper business. It has held its meetings, not for mere form, but for grave practical deliberation. It has invited questions on the chief difficulties of the day, and it has done its best to grapple with them, or to teach how they are to be grappled with. Its work of this kind has been at once laborious and multiform. Its full results are given to the world in an encyclical letter on which the assembled Prelates have agreed. The main position of the Church is there defined by its chiefs, and suggestions are made or rules laid down on points of organization and discipline which, up to this time, have been somewhat insufficiently pro-

vided for. The true *via media* is that which the Bishops have endeavored to follow.

We have given only a few specimens of the many subjects which have engaged the attention of the Conference, and of the manner in which they have been severally handled. Whatever may be the result of the more formal work, we are well satisfied that the Conference itself has not, and cannot have been, without its fruits of one kind or another. It will be worth while to point out what some of these may be. It is only by such a Synod as that which is just ended that English people at home can realize the real dimensions of the Church of which they are members. They may have read of Colonial Bishops; they may even have seen them and heard them, and may have come so far as to believe in them. But a Colonial Bishop in this country has, on ordinary occasions, something of the air of a soldier who has run away from his post. There may be sound reasons for the desertion, but it needs to be explained and accounted for. But a Colonial Bishop who comes over at the summons of the Metropolitan of the Church at home is above all suspicion of idling or malingering. It is for business of the most important kind that he has come, and, whether it be to give aid in council or to receive it, the motive is sufficient in either case. The late Conference, too, though it has been made up chiefly of Bishops who belong in some sense to the Church of England, has had other members. Great as the foreign possessions of England are, the Lambeth Conference has had a wider recruiting ground than all of them. There has been many a Bishop at Lambeth who has owed no allegiance to Queen Victoria, but who has not therefore been in less hearty accord with the rest. What, then, is the Church to be called to which all these functionaries belong? English is too narrow. Catholic is broad enough, but it is indistinct, and for our purpose inaccurate. Anglo-Saxon would be at least tolerably correct. Whatever else is present or absent, the Anglo-Saxon element is the one thing which at some point or other is sure to be found. It gives the first stimulus, even in the rare cases in which it does not assume the direct personal guidance afterwards. We will not insist on the name. It would be better, perhaps, to leave the irregular, wide-sprading society unnamed. We shall be in no danger in any case of mistaking it for any thing else, or any thing else for it. If we wished for a tribute to the expansive power of the English stock, and to its controlling influence over its most distant and apparently unconnected offshoots, we could scarcely find a better than the Lambeth Conference has provided for us. Time was when the Church was the great connecting link between one nation of Europe and another. We have specimens in modern days of interests which thus transcend national limits. Science most obviously does, in all its forms, and in whatever language

its original utterances may be couched. Socialism in the same way is a broader tie than patriotism. The solidarity of labor is felt by it to be a more real thing than the solidarity of country or even of race. The Lambeth Conference marks an influence which is less broad indeed than the broadest of these, but which just as certainly is not to be restrained within merely national bounds. When we have found a collective name suited to the Anglo-Saxon family, we will ask next how far it can be applied to the ecclesiastical body which we do not wish to call the Anglo-Saxon Church.

It would be a very cynical eye that could look with indifference on the gathering of last Saturday. The proof it brings home to us of the vitality of English Church principles and doctrines is not the least interesting thing about it. The English Church, we may remember with pleasure, is not, and never has been in our time, a narrowly ecclesiastical body. It has combined all sorts of human interests, and has given its help to every variety of legitimate human progress. We could badly spare it, even in this country, from among the mass of influences which are at work among us for good. In lower and less advanced communities the loss would be even more severely felt. The Church is bound, as the first condition of promoting its own power, to raise the tone, moral and intellectual, of those to whom it addresses itself. Even physical matters are not wholly to be set aside. Something of outward decency and outward comfort has to be secured before the moral and intellectual life can be even started. It is no small matter that in every outpost of the Anglo-Saxon race a society should be set up which has for one of its great objects to undertake this necessary work. A Church which forwards the cause of sanitary improvement, of morality, of education in the widest sense of the word, and of all else that makes the difference between the civilized being and the savage, or the worse than savage, will readily be allowed to have established its title to our respect. Nor will our respect be given with less good will when we find, further, that this body is in a very real sense our own; that, for some reason or other, it does not flourish at all, or flourishes in quite another form, outside Pan-Anglo-Saxondom; and that wherever Pan-Anglo-Saxondom extends, the old family Church goes with it and forms a very essential part of it.

The Lambeth Conference is most properly a great demonstration of what the English Church has grown to be. It helps us all to feel that our national form of religion is a vast and widely-spreading influence, co-extensive with our race, and dependent upon something better and more enduring than the accidents of place or of establishment. If we are to have further results, it is to the by-play and to the after-wave of the great movement that we may look for them with the most assurance.—*The London Times.*

From a very opposite source, I add an extract from *The Church Times* :

“ On the whole, we are very glad that this Conference has been held. Its steps, if cautious and tentative, have, generally speaking, been in the right direction, and have probably gone as far as was desirable. But it needs very little of the spirit of prophecy to foresee the day when, with the blessing of God, the Church of England and her daughter, and sister, and associated Churches, will hold an infinitely more noble example of true Christian Unity than has ever been presented to men and angels by the Church of Rome.

### III.

#### FROM BISHOP DOANE'S LETTER TO "OUR MISSION WORK."

Of the many meetings which grew out of the Conference, none interested me more than the "Free Church Association" service, the welcomes at Lincoln and Wells, the Selwyn Memorial meeting, and the meeting of the Anglo-Continental Society at Farnham Castle. At this latter were present among the foreigners, Herzog and Hyacinthe. No German representatives, I am sorry to say, came. I hope it may be my good fortune to see Dr. Döllinger in Munich, and to get from him some news of the Old Catholics in Germany. Bishop Herzog's account of the movement in Switzerland, was very encouraging. He has under him sixty-five parishes and seventy-five priests ; about eighty thousand souls in all. During his Episcopate of not much more than a year, he has confirmed *four thousand*, and the Church has taken its stand very soundly on matters of doctrine and discipline ; in abolishing compulsory confession in private, and adding the public absolution to the liturgy ; in using the liturgy in the language of the people ; allowing the Communion in both kinds ; denying what Herzog very well called the doctrine of *la transubstantiation chymique*, and giving up the enforced celibacy of the Priesthood. His address was deeply interesting and remarkably eloquent, inasmuch as he spoke not in his own language but in French. M. Loyson (Pere Hyacinthe) thrilled and electrified us all. He is a born orator, of the very highest natural gifts, thoroughly cultivated, and speaking in a language to which oratory seems natural. No man ever so affected me. He spoke with great pathos of his own country, in which only three religions were tolerated, the Roman Catholics, the National Protestant Congregations and the Jews ; and of his own position, with no liberty of preaching. The Minister had given him permission to teach *morality* but not *religion*, which to him, as he said, were inseparable, in some very



secular place. (Mr. Morgan, our Rector in Paris, tells me since, that to this most unsuitable hall, at a time when Paris was filled with other attractions, he drew immense congregations on all the Sunday afternoons in June). But he said, while Herzog represented the Church of the present, he represented the Church of the future. There are three descriptions of the Church, he said — *trionphante, militante et latente*. And in France the Church is *latente*, waiting *le temps, l'èvenement, l'homme*. Reform is wanting there, he said. Quoting M. Renan, and adding that the feeling pervaded the Schools and the *Salons*, he said France must have “*une Catholicisme raisonable*, for Vaticanism is intolerable, and Protestantism disorganized. Reform is necessary, and to a Church which rests on the promise of God and on the bosom of Jesus Christ, what is necessary is always possible.” Enfeebled by passing through a poor memory into another language, and by the loss of such a voice and such an articulation as few men are gifted with, this dilution poorly conveys the power and the pathos of this address. Please God, there is an opening waiting for this man, to do a great work for France and for the Church. Our own Bishop Coxe, too, was at his best at this meeting and made a speech full of force and beauty.

After the Service, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop of the Diocese.

In accordance with Section i, Canon I, of the Diocese, the Bishop presented the “List of Clergy canonically resident in the Diocese.”

The Secretary called the roll of the Clergy, and eighty-seven answered to their names:

The Reverend  
Edward F. Baker,  
Reginald H. Barnes,  
W. W. Battershall, D.D.,  
S. B. Bostwick, S.T.D.,  
Charles A. Bragdon,  
George F. Breed,  
J. Hutchings Brown,  
James Caird,  
Joseph Carey, S.T.D.,  
Thomas G. Clemson,  
Edwin Coan,  
William M. Cook,  
Hobart Cooke,  
Fenwick M. Cookson,  
Samuel H. Coxe, D.D.,  
Charles E. Cragg,  
Albert Danker,  
George W. Dean, S.T.D.,  
Walter Delafield,  
Newton Dexter,

The Reverend  
R. G. Hamilton,  
Francis Harison, S.T.D.,  
Ernest A. Hartman,  
James Haughton,  
Reeve Hobbie,  
Joseph Hooper,  
John H. Houghton,  
Henry R. Howard, S.T.D.,  
Henry C. Hutchings,  
William N. Irish,  
Charles H. Lancaster,  
Henry T. Leslie,  
William W. Lord, D.D.,  
Irving McElroy,  
Joseph W. McIlwaine,  
Lewis F. Morris,  
James D. Morrison,  
Joseph N. Mulford,  
George L. Neide,  
J. R. L. Nisbett,

The Reverend  
William M. Picksley,  
John B. Pitman,  
E. N. Potter, D.D.,  
Augustus Prime,  
William C. Prout,  
J. Livingston Reese, D.D.,  
William B. Reynolds,  
John H. Rogers,  
David L. Schwartz,  
Richard C. Searing,  
John D. Skene,  
Samuel E. Smith,  
Henry M. Smyth,  
Theodore A. Snyder,  
James W. Stewart,  
Alfred H. Stubbs,  
Richard Temple,  
John Townsend,  
Eugene L. Toy,  
Joseph B. Trevett,



Charles C. Edmunds,  
George Fisher,  
Thomas B. Fulcher,  
F. O. Granniss,  
W. C. Grubbe,  
Walker Gwynne,  
Benjamin T. Hall,  
Byron J. Hall,  
James E. Hall,

Frank L. Norton,  
William M. Ogden,  
Russell A. Olin,  
C. S. Olmsted,  
J. W. Paige,  
William Payne, D.D.,  
John T. Pearce,  
Edward M. Pecke,  
William H. Phillips,

J. Ireland Tucker, S.T.D.,  
Charles H. Vandyne,  
William B. Walker,  
Robert Washbon,  
James B. Wasson,  
Erastus Webster,  
Robert Weeks,  
Charles T. Whittemore,  
William R. Woodbridge.

The roll of Parishes entitled to representation was called, and the Bishop appointed the Rev. W. W. Battershall, D.D., and Mr. William L. Dubois, as a Committee, with the Secretary, to examine the credentials of the Lay Delegates.

The Committee presented the credentials of sixty-two Parishes as correct.

The Secretary then called the names of the Delegates, and thirty-eight Parishes were found to be represented :

ALBANY COUNTY.

*The Cathedral of All Saints, Albany,* Orlando Meads, A. Bleecker Banks, Erastus Corning.

*St. Peter's Church, Albany,* Henry R. Pierson, John S. Perry, Joseph W. Tillinghast.

*St. Paul's Church, Albany,* Cornelius D. Paul, Robert Geer.

*St. John's Church, Cohoes,* Robert Weir, Michael Andrae, Reuben Lee.

*Trinity Church, West Troy,* P. V. Hagner, John H. Hulsapple.

*Grace Church, Albany,* Charles W. White, Benjamin F. Hinman.

*Church of the Holy Innocents, Albany,* Samuel M. Van Santvoord.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

*Church of St. John the Evangelist, Stockport,* W. H. Vandecarr, F. C. Kittle, T. H. James.

*St. Paul's Church, Kinderhook,* Henry S. Wynkoop.

*Trinity Church, Claverack,* J. J. Studley.

CLINTON COUNTY.

*Trinity Church, Plattsburgh,* Charles H. McNeil.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

*St. Peter's Church, Hobart,* Samuel H. Taylor, Frederick S. Griffin.

*Christ Church, Walton,* Julius W. St. John.

ESSEX COUNTY.

*St. John's Church, Essex,* Edward D. Ferguson.

*Lay Delegates present.***FULTON COUNTY.***St. John's Church, Johnstown, A. S. Van Voast.***GREENE COUNTY.***St. Luke's Church, Catskill, William L. Dubois.**Trinity Church, Athens, Samuel H. Nichols.***HERKIMER COUNTY.***Christ Church, Herkimer, Samuel Earl, J. Dryden Henderson.***MONTGOMERY COUNTY.***Zion Church, Fonda, Richard H. Cushney, Giles H. F. Van Horne,  
Hiram L. Washburn.***OTSEGO COUNTY.***Christ Church, Cooperstown, David A. Avery.**Grace Church, Cherry Valley, Henry Roseboom.***RENSSELAER COUNTY.***St. Paul's Church, Troy, James Forsyth, John I. Thompson.**Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, James McQuide.**St. John's Church, Troy, Uri Gilbert, Thomas A. Tillinghast.**Christ Church, Troy, George B. Smith, Peter Black.**Trinity Church, Schaghticoke, Thomas L. Doremus.**Church of the Messiah, Greenbush, William P. Morgan, Kelly At-  
wood.***SARATOGA COUNTY.***Christ Church, Ballston Spa, James W. Horton, Andrew S. Booth.**Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, Aaron B. Olmstead.**Calvary Church, Burnt Hills, Calvin S. Wheeler.***SCHENECTADY COUNTY.***St. George's Church, Schenectady, Abraham A. Van Vorst, Henry  
J. Estcourt, John K. Paige.***ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY.***Trinity Church, Potsdam, E. W. Foster, T. Streatfield Clarkson.***WARREN COUNTY.***Church of the Messiah, Glens Falls, Leonard G. McDonald.**St. James' Church, Caldwell, Thomas Fuller, Frederick Tucker.**St. Mary's Church, Luzerne, B. C. Butler.,*

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

*Zion Church, Sandy Hill, Charles H. Beach.*

*St. James' Church, Fort Edward, Thomas R. Wade, Ernest Elmore.*

*St. Paul's Church, Salem, George B. McCartee.*

A constitutional quorum being present, the Rt. Rev. President declared the Convention organized and ready for business.

The election of officers being in order, on motion the ballot was unanimously dispensed with.

The Rev. Edward M. Pecke was elected Secretary, Mr. Selden E. Marvin, Treasurer, and the Rev. George Fisher, Registrar.

The Secretary appointed the Rev. William C. Prout as the Assistant Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Orlando Meads, it was

*Resolved*, That Clergymen of other Dioceses, Professors and Students of Theology in the Episcopal Church, and all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present, be invited to seats in the Convention.

The Rt. Rev. President having announced the invitation, the Rev. E. D. Cooper, of the Diocese of Long Island; the Rev. Wm. J. W. Finlay, of Canada; the Rev. Julius Ungar, of the Diocese of Central New York; the Rev. John Randall, of the Diocese of Vermont; the Rev. D. G. Anderson, of the Diocese of Massachusetts; the Rev. R. W. Oliver, D. D., of the Diocese of Nebraska; and Mr. Selden E. Marvin, Treasurer of the Diocese, took seats.

The Committee appointed to examine the credentials of the Lay Delegates, reported the certificates from St. John's Church, Richfield Springs; St. Paul's Church, Charlton; St. Paul's Church, Waddington; and St. Mark's Church, Malone, as incorrect; the first wanting date, the second wanting the signature of the Warden, there being no Rector, the third wanting the signature of the Clerk of the Vestry, and the last wanting the certificate that the appointment was made "in accordance with all the requirements of the Canons," the election being made by the congregation.

On the motion of Rev. Canon Coan, it was

*Resolved*, That the Rules of Order of the last Convention be adopted as the Rules of Order of this Convention.

According to the requirements of Canon XXI, one day's previous notice was given by the Rev. J. D. Morrison, of a proposed amendment of SEC. 5, of Canon XIV, the Section to read as follows:

SEC. 5. The limits of the Convocations shall be as follows: The Convocation of Albany shall comprise the counties of Albany, Greene, Schenectady, Montgomery, Fulton, Hamilton and Herkimer. The Convocation of Troy shall comprise the counties of Columbia, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Washington, Warren, Essex and Clinton. The Convocation of the Susquehanna shall comprise the counties of Delaware, Otsego and Schoharie. The Convocation of Ogdensburgh shall comprise the counties of St. Lawrence and Franklin.

The proposed amendment, on motion, was referred to a Committee of two Presbyters and two Laymen.

The Bishop appointed, as such Committee, the Rev. J. D. Morrison, the Rev. H. M. Smyth, and Messrs. T. Streatfield Clarkson, and C. H. McNeil.

Canonical notice was given also, by the Rev. C. A. Bragdon, of a proposed amendment of SEC. 6, of Canon XIV, by inserting the word "communicants" after the word "number" in the third line, so that the Section should read as follows:

SEC. 6. Each of these Convocations shall consist of the Clergy resident within the limits thereof, and canonically resident in the Diocese, and of Laymen, not exceeding three in number, communicants, from each Parish or Missionary Station, etc.

The proposed amendment, on motion of the Rev. C. A. Bragdon, was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

Canonical notice was given also, by the Secretary of the Convention, of a proposed amendment of SEC. 2, of Canon VI, by inserting the words "or Registrars" after the word "Secretaries" in the fourth line, so that the Section should read as follows:

SEC. 2. He shall transmit annually a copy of the Journal of the Convention to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, to the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, and to the Secretaries, or Registrars, of the Diocesan Conventions, etc.

The Rev. Canon Coan moved to amend the Standing Order, of the Conduct of Elections, by prefixing as Section 1, the following paragraph, the present Sections to follow and to be re-numbered consecutively.

1. Nominations may be made without limitation on the first day of Convention, for all the offices to be filled, at the election on the second day. The Secretary shall cause the nominations, in the order in which they are made, to be printed on slips which may be used as ballots. At the head of each ballot, under the title, shall be printed a note, stating what number of Clergymen and Laymen constitute a full ticket. The ballot may then be prepared by erasing any of the names in excess of the required number; the voters, however, not to be limited to these nominations or ballots.

The proposed amendment, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

The Rev. Robert Weeks offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

*Resolved*, That the Childs' Hospital be placed on the list for which contributions from the Parishes are required by Canon.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed the regular Committees :

ON THE ADMISSION OF PARISHES.

The Rev. E. N. Potter, D.D., and Messrs. A. S. Van Voast and J. W. Horton.

ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Rev. J. W. Stewart, the Rev. F. Harison, S.T.D., the Rev. G. W. Dean, S.T.D., the Rev. J. Haughton, and Messrs. Orlando Meads James Forsyth and James Gibson.

ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER.

Messrs. H. R. Pierson and Uri Gilbert.

ON THE DIOCESAN FUND AND MILEAGE OF THE CLERGY.

The Rev. Messrs. R. A. Olin and J. N. Mulford, and Messrs. S. E. Marvin and George B. Smith.

ON DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The Rev. S. H. Coxe, D.D., and the Rev. H. M. Smyth, and Mr. J. D. Henderson.

ON THE BISHOP'S SALARY AND THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

The Rev. W. Delafield, and Messrs. J. K. Paige and L. G. McDonald.

ON THE FUND FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGY-MEN.

The Rev. James Caird, and Mr. H. J. Estcourt.

ON THE AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

The Rev. Hobart Cooke, and Mr. Frederick S. Griffin.

ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Rev. Messrs. R. Weeks and W. B. Walker, and Messrs. Charles S. Beach, E. D. Ferguson, and George B. McCartee.

ON THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF RELIGION AND LEARNING.

The Rev. Messrs. John H. Houghton and G. L. Neide, and Mr. Calvin S. Wheeler.

**ON NON-REPORTING PARISHES.**

The Rev. William M. Ogden.

**ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**

The Rev. Messrs. W. Thompson and Reeve Hobbie, and, Mr. H. S. Wynkoop.

**ON THE REGISTRAR'S REPORT.**

The Rev. R. Temple and Mr. Robert Weir.

**ON THE ORPHAN HOUSE AT COOPERSTOWN.**

The Rev. Walker Gwynne and Mr. A. B. Olmstead.

**ON THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP.**

The Rev. Drs. J. Carey and W. W. Battershall, and Messrs. G. B. Warren, Jr., J. S. Perry, J. J. Tillinghast, Erastus Corning, W. A. Wood.

The following named Reports were received and referred to the appropriate Committees :

The Report of the Treasurer.

The Report of the Board of Diocesan Missions.

The Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund and of the Bishop's Salary.

The Report of the Trustees of the Fund for Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and the Treasurer of the same.

The Report of the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning.

The Report of the Registrar.

The Reports from the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, Cooperstown.

A Memorial from the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour was presented and read by the Rev. W. W. Lord, D.D.

**MEMORIAL OF THE ORPHAN HOUSE OF THE HOLY SAVIOUR TO THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY.**

In the month of June last, the Board issued the following Circular :

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, held at the Orphanage, June 18th, 1878, the subject of the scanty receipts for current expenses during the past year, and the consequent indebtedness of the Institution, was the object of special consideration. The deficit for '77 was \$308.18, and it became necessary to sell a bond of \$500, from the Building Fund, to meet it. Although there was a surplus of \$191.18, from the bond sold, after paying the debt of '77, yet the current expenses for the first half

year of '78 have already exceeded the receipts to the amount of \$324, in addition to the bond of \$500 sold the previous year.

Under these circumstances the following Resolution was unanimously passed by the Board of Trustees :

“On motion, by Rev. Dr. PAYNE, *Resolved*, That at the next Convention of the Diocese, the Rev. Dr. LORD bring forward a resolution for a uniform day to be set apart for contributions, in all the Parishes, for the Diocesan Orphanage, and that that day be Christmas.

SUSAN F. COOPER,

*Secretary Board of Trustees.*

The fact that the Orphan House of the Diocese is in the Parish of Christ Church, Cooperstown, explains the appointment of its Rector to the duty of bringing forward the above resolution ; together with which he now begs leave to present, on the part of the Executive Committee of the Board, a brief memorial. The Convention, however, will bear in mind that the Orphanage is, in one sense, in every Parish as much — if not as much to every Parish — as in Cooperstown. It belongs alike and equally to all the Parishes. It is in fact the oldest benevolent institution in the Diocese ; the eldest daughter of its charity, the “beginning of its strength ;” and thus, in point of time and by the right of earlier existence, must appear, in comparison with any other organization of the same kind and equal deserving, to have a prior and peculiar claim. Nothing could justify its abandonment or the diversion of charity from this to other objects, however meritorious, but the manifest failure of the institution to realize the expectations of this Convention in the performance of the duty you assigned it on the part of the Church and of humanity. It would be easy to bring before you satisfactory evidence that the Orphan House has met every reasonable expectation of its friends and founders, except in this very particular, in view of which your action is desired, viz. : The power of appealing successfully to the sympathies of the Parishes on which its adequate maintenance, and, ultimately, its very existence depend. The annual contributions recommended by the Convention have signally failed of their object, not, as we verily believe, from want of interest in the cause so much as want of uniformity of action and of some vivid suggestion of its sacred and humane purpose in the very time and manner of the offering. The Spirit which placed a mother's heart in the bosom of the Church in this Diocese has not found a responsive pulse in every—we might almost say in any parish. But it is impossible that it should not be there. Very few of the Parishes take the required offertories, or respond to the appeals of the Board and of its amiable and indefatigable Secretary, the Superintendent, who brings to the work of rearing and educating orphans, all the



resources of a cultivated mind and a tenderly benevolent heart. The Board is, therefore, compelled to draw from time to time upon its little fund to meet deficiencies in the amount required for current expenses; and unless some remedy be found in the measures of this Convention, followed up by conformable action on the part of the one hundred and twenty Parishes of the Diocese, the end is evident, and not very distant. The Poor House of the county, which to some extent we have captured, will in turn have captured us; and for the few little ones that we have taken from it, will take, by itself or other Poor Houses, the whole of ours. To save these little outcasts from pauperism, and its attendant physical and moral dangers and pollutions, to put clean raiment on their bodies and *souls*, to inject new social life-blood into their impoverished veins, and make them useful and honorable men and women, is a task which the Church in this Diocese once *set to herself*, and from which she can hardly draw back with honor and self-respect, the approbation of conscience and the Master's praise.

The deliberations of the Board at its last meeting took the form of a resolution, that the Convention be requested to set apart a day for contributions in all the parishes, for the Diocesan Orphanage, and that that day be Christmas. The time was suggested, and a certain power available for our purpose in the associations of the day, seemed to be made evident by the uniform success of the Christmas collection for orphans in the local parish. Next to the Easter collection for Missions it is invariably the largest of the year. It would seem that this season of gladness and joy for childhood, and through children for all—when the hearts of men are softened by thought of their own children inseparably, if unconsciously, blended with the image of the infant Redeemer, must be eminently favorable to this particular offering.

The imitation of the Magi in their gifts to the Holy Child must come before every mind in connection with the saying, "Whoso shall receive one such little child in my name, receiveth me."

We would gladly accept for our Orphan House the auspicious inference of a great poet:

"Some say that ever against that season comes,  
Wherein our Saviour's birth is celebrated,  
The bird of dawning singeth all night long;  
No evil spirit then dares stir abroad,  
No planets strike, nor spell hath power to harm,  
So hallowed and so gracious is the time."

We are well aware that the claim of the parish itself on its Christmas offertory, and the comparative merits of other objects to

which it might be devoted, open a field for discussion. Still, it is an evident fact that all the associations of the day are more favorable to benefactions to children than to any other charitable object.

In the benevolent point of view, is it not best to utilize the day to the greatest advantage? Is it not the part of wisdom and sound religious economy to make the most of it in behalf of those whose need is never least? Advent, Epiphany, Easter, Whitsunday, seem eminently appropriate, as they are in fact frequently appropriated to the great cause—the Missions of the Church. But we are by no means disposed to place her mission to the dark and depraved Pauper-Land, and that wretched and ignorant Child-Land at our doors, upon a lower ground of utility or necessity than any other mission whatever. It is at once the most necessary and the most effective of all enterprises in which the Church goes out of her chancel and churchyard, her ancient temples and Christain homes “into all the world.”

It always, or with few exceptions, attains its ends. For it begins at the right end — the beginning. Had our ancestors begun there, they need not have built, nor we repaired so many poor-houses, hospitals and jails. Let the Church take every destitute orphan and abandoned pauper child and enlist them into the armies of religion, virtue and industry, and they will have raised up in the world a positive force for good which would go far to neutralize the worst influences for evil that now emanate from the same source, and every day with more imperative voice, and more formidable aspect, menace and demoralize organized society. We would in that way refute the baleful theory of mental and moral “heredity.” Could we train these hereditary helots of civilization in the saintly words and ways of the Church with the high example of her history and never ending martyrology, we should have in them a new order of Christain men and women, to whom the Church would be father and mother and teacher, and its divine Head their sole commander; the very Jannizaries of law and order, such heroes in a moral sense, as in another sense the Spartans made when they sought to make men, or rather such men as Christ and His Apostles made when they scarped down to the bare rock of human nature and laid the foundation of the Church in poverty.

In concluding this appeal, it is incumbent on us to inform the Convention that the measure adopted by the Board for our temporary relief, viz. : A Sunday-School collection throughout the Diocese on the first Sunday of October, produced a sum so small that it would hardly have furnished a Christmas supper for the thirty-seven children who have no home but the House of the Holy Saviour.

In fine, the Board desires distinctly to inform the Convention,

though with all due respect, and without charging it with undue responsibility, that without some better reliance than the almost casual charities on which the Orphanage now depends, we must reconcile our minds to the extinction, at no remote period, of that first, fair offspring of the Diocese ; that which sprang as it were spontaneously from its heart at the moment when it came itself into existence ; and this, notwithstanding the best wishes and frequent appeals of the Bishop, and the pain and grief that such a catastrophe is sure to inflict on the heart of every good man and woman in the Diocese. We propose, therefore, to the Convention that it try the experiment of a stated, uniform collection for the Orphans of the Diocese, to be made on the day when all hearts are open, and the heart of the Church, influenced, at once, by its happiest and its holiest associations with childhood, cannot fail to be touched with a sense of the needs of her adopted children.

Your memorialists have not forgotten that there is a Sister Institution of the same nature, in the city of Albany. The Bishop is *ex officio* the head of both institutions ; and the Churches of Albany, while joining in the general offertory, might, at his discretion, apply their Christmas offering to the "*Child's Hospital*." We should state that the appeal of the Board, made at its Annual Meeting last summer, has not been entirely ineffectual.

Two hundred dollars, through the kind efforts of Mr. Tillinghast and Mr. Dauchy, have been received from Troy. Forty Churches have, in the past year, contributed *something*, against thirty-eight in the year previous ; and several Churches have decidedly increased their contributions. But it is still true that we are from year to year running behindhand. We owe for the rent of the Orphan House ; and we *ought* to replace what has been taken from the small fund, originally \$500, and increased by the benefaction of Mr. Edward Clark and others to \$1,500, which we had hoped to keep intact as the nucleus of a building fund. We again respectfully remind the Convention that we are not a self-constituted institution. The Orphan House was the official creation of this Convention. We ask our parent, with filial confidence, that the power that was exerted in our creation may now be put forth for our preservation.

On motion the memorial was referred to the regular Committee on the Orphan House.

The Secretary of the Convention then presented and read his report :

THE RECTORY OF ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH,  
ILION, HERKIMER COUNTY, N. Y.,

December 31, A. D. 1878.

The Secretary of the Convention respectfully reports that he has discharged the duties of his office to the best of his ability.

The Memorial to the Legislature of the State of New York, duly signed and attested, was engrossed and sent to the Senate, through the Hon. Senator Harris, and to the Assembly, through the Hon. W. H. Waring, on the 16th of January, before the adjournment of the last session of the Convention. Your Secretary is informed that the Memorial was presented in both Houses of the Legislature, and that no amendment to the Act for the Incorporation of Protestant Episcopal Churches has been adopted.

Twelve hundred copies of the Journal of the last Convention were printed, as ordered, and distributed during the month of March.

One application for admission into union with this Convention has been received, viz.: St. Andrew's Chapel, Schroon, Essex county.

There is one special Committee to report to this Convention, viz.: the Committee respecting the share of this Diocese in the Episcopal Fund now held by the Diocese of New York.

There is one Deputy to the General Convention to be elected, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the decease of Mr. Lyman Tremain, who was also a Trustee of the Fund for Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

There is one Deputy to the Federate Council to be elected to fill the vacancy occasioned by the decease of Mr. James Roy.

Certificates of nomination for election as members of the Board of Missions of the Diocese have been received from the several Conventions as follows, viz.:

*The Convocation of Albany*, the Rev. Samuel E. Smith and Mr. Henry R. Pierson.

*The Convocation of Troy*, the Rev. Frank L. Norton and Mr. Walter A. Wood.

*The Convocation of the Susquehanna*, the Rev. Theodore A. Snyder and Mr. G. Pomeroy Keese.

*The Convocation of Ogdensburgh*, the Rev. James D. Morrison and Mr. T. L. Harison.

A certified copy of a resolution adopted by the Convocation of Ogdensburgh at its last meeting has been received. The resolution is as follows, viz.:

*“Resolved*, That this Convocation indorse the scheme for the support of the mission work, as presented by Rev. Mr. Morrison, member of a

committee appointed by the Board of Missions, and recommend it heartily to the Convention of the Diocese for action."



On motion, the resolution from the Convocation of Ogdensburgh, presented in the report of the Secretary, was referred to the regular Committee on Diocesan Missions.

The Report of the Standing Committee was presented and read :

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Albany respectfully report to the Convention the following official acts :

At the first meeting of the Committee, held January 16th, 1878, the Rev. Dr. Payne was elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Reese, Secretary. There have been nine meetings of the Committee. They have recommended to the Bishop, for ordination to the Priesthood :

Rev. Robert Granger ;  
Rev. William M. Pickslay ;  
Rev. Charles T. Whittemore ;  
Rev. James B. Wasson.

They have recommended to the Bishop, for ordination to the Diaconate :

Bradford R. Kirkbride.

They have received as Candidates for Holy Orders,

William Densmore Maxon ;  
Frederick Thompson ;  
John T. Marvin ;  
William Booth Guion ;  
Arthur B. Morehouse.

The canonical assent of the Committee was given to the consecration of the Rev. Alexander Burgess, D. D., to the Episcopate of the Diocese of Quincy, and to the consecration of the Rev. George W. Peterkin, to the Episcopate of the Diocese of West Virginia.

At the meeting of the Committee, held January 16th, their canonical consent was given to the Rector and Vestry of Christ Church, Greeneville, to sell their old Church property and give title to the same.

At the meeting of the Committee held in Troy, September 21st, the Standing Committee, acting in the absence of the Bishop as the Eccle-

siastical Authority, in conformity with § 1, Canon 5, Title II, recorded the declaration of renunciation of the Ministry made by Rev. Herbert C. Miller. In conformity with the same Canon, the Standing Committee requested the Rt. Rev. John Williams, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut, to depose the said Herbert C. Miller from the sacred Ministry, "because of immoral conduct," and to pronounce and record such sentence of deposition. At the meeting held October 19th, the formal sentence of deposition with the accompanying canonical certificate from the Rt. Reverend the Bishop of Connecticut, was laid before the Committee.

The Standing Committee, December 26th, formally welcomed the Bishop back to his home and Diocese, by a service of welcome held in the Cathedral Chapel, the President of the Committee making the address, and the Bishop responding.

The following are the official actions of the Committee as the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese in the absence of the Bishop :

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

By the Bishop of Vermont, in Christ Church, Rouse's Point, Rev. Irving McElroy, Rector, July 5, 1878, the following persons: Georgia M. Smith, Charles C. Martin, Maria E. Oliver, Florence A. Robinson, Elizabeth J. Chilton, John H. Chilton, Geo. M. Chilton.

#### ORDINATIONS.

June 10th, 1878, Rev. William Morton Pickslay, to the Priesthood, by Bishop Potter, in the Church of the Transfiguration, New York.

Nov. 9th, 1878, Rev. James B. Wasson, to the Priesthood, by Bishop Seymour, in St. Luke's Church, Troy.

#### CLERGYMEN DISMISSED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

The Rev. Anson J. Brockway, to the Diocese of Ohio.

The Rev. Edward N. Goddard, to the Missionary Jurisdiction of the Bishop of Montana.

The Rev. John W. H. Weibel, to the Diocese of Western New York.

The Rev. Robt. B. Van Kleeck, Jr., to the Diocese of New York.

The Rev. Frank Smith, to the Missionary Jurisdiction of the Bishop of Colorado.

#### CLERGYMEN RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

The Rev. James B. Wasson, from the Diocese of Vermont.

The Rev. Charles A. Bragdon, from the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

The Rev. George F. Breed, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

The Rev. Lewis F. Morris, from the Diocese of New York.

**CLERGY DEPOSED.**

The Rev. Herbert O. Miller, by Bishop Williams, at the request of Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of Albany, date Oct. 2, 1878.

**NOTICES OF CLERGY DEPOSED.**

Oct. 5, 1878. Edson B. Cartmill, Priest, by the Bishop of Southern Ohio.

Oct. 5, 1878. Pliny B. Morgan, Priest, by the Bishop of Southern Ohio.

Nov. 5, 1878. James Nelson Hume, Priest, by the Bishop of Ohio.

Oct. 24, 1878. John W. Doremus, Deacon, by the Bishop of Texas.

June 14, 1878. George Milton Hubbard, Deacon, by the Bishop of California.

Nov. 12, 1878. Received notice from Bishop Hare, Niobrara, that George W. Raeburn, as once a Postulant in the Diocese of New York, had proved himself destitute of moral character.

**CORNER STONES LAID.**

Aug. 19, 1878. Trinity Church, Ashland, Greene County, the Rev. H. O. Hutchings, Rector, and he officiating.

**MISSIONS ORGANIZED.**

Grace Mission, town of Louisville, St. Lawrence Co.

St. Joseph's Mission at West Stockholm, St. Lawrence Co.

**CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS, RECOMMENDED BY STANDING COMMITTEE.**

July 20, 1878. William Densmore Maxon, Schenectady.

July 20, 1878. John T. Marvin, Plattsburgh.

July 20, 1878. Frederick Thompson, Salem.

July 20, 1878. Wm. B. Guion, Saratoga.

Sept. 21, 1878. Jacob Streibert, Jr., Albany, Dr. Reese.

Dec. 26, 1878. Arthur B. Morehouse, Schenectady.

**LAY READERS LICENSED.**

Alfred Harding, Lebanon Springs, under Rev. Jos. Hooper.

G. M. J. DuBois, Waddington, under Rev. Dr. DuBois.

Arnold Humer, Cohoes, under Rev. W. Gwynne (canceled).

William H. Hyde, Oneonta (Rectorship vacant).

WM. PAYNE,

*President.*

J. LIVINGSTON REESE.

*Secretary.*



Mr. James Forsyth presented and read the Report of the Committee of Three to settle with the Diocese of New York as to the Episcopal Fund.

Mr. E. W. Foster moved that the whole subject be laid upon the table; which motion was lost.

Whereupon the resolution appended to the report was adopted, as follows:

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Committee of Three on the claims of this Diocese for a portion of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New York, be placed on file to save expense of printing; and that the same Committee be continued on that subject for another year with instructions to renew the application, and to take such steps for its enforcement as they may deem most for the interest of this Diocese.

On motion of Mr. Orlando Meads, the Convention took a recess until half-past seven o'clock in the evening.

*Half-past seven o'clock in the Evening.*

The Convention re-assembled.

A special Missionary Service, set forth by the Bishop, was said, the Rev. Messrs. F. L. Norton, W. H. Phillips and Robert Weeks officiating.

After the service the Right Rev. President took the Chair, and called the Convention to order.

The Report of the Board of Missions was presented and read by the Rev. Edward M. Pecke, Secretary of the Board.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS, 1879.

The Board of Missions respectfully reports that it has had four meetings during the past year.

At the first meeting, held on the day after the adjournment of the last Convention, Stations were adopted to the number of *eighty-eight*, and stipends appropriated, amounting in all to \$7,950.00. Upon the nomination of the Bishop, *forty* Missionaries were appointed. There are, at the present time, *ninety-two* Stations, and *thirty-nine* Missionaries; the stipends amount to \$7,775.00.

It will be remembered that the Convention resolved that the amount appropriated for the Missions of the Diocese be \$12,500, of which \$2,500 shall be used in payment of the existing debt. Possibly, by some, the Board may be accounted derelict in its duty, in that it did not at once make its appropriations to equal the amount of \$10,000, voted by the Convention. Painful experience in the past, however,

constrained the Board to proceed with extreme caution, and to keep its appropriations within the limits of a much smaller amount. The contributions of the Diocese have not come up to the smaller sum which the Board ventured to appropriate. The consequence is debt; and that debt one which weighs heavily upon all concerned.

At a meeting in April, the Secretary presented, as received from the Secretary of the Convention, a certified copy of the Resolution concerning the Parochial Fund, as directed by the Convention of the Diocese.

Action was taken at the same meeting toward the support of German services in the Diocese.

“Our Mission Work” has been published quarterly during the year, under the Editorship of the Secretary of the Board, and has been welcomed throughout the Diocese with marked favour.

At the meeting in October, the Board missed greatly the personal presence and wise counsel of the Bishop of the Diocese; but, that his interest in the work was as deep and as hearty as ever, was manifested in the careful suggestions presented by him, to the Board, in written communications to the Treasurer, the Secretary and members of the Board.

The Secretary has responded to applications for 402 pledges, and 6224 Missionary envelopes, which have been sent into five parishes of the Diocese. The stock of Missionary envelopes is now exhausted.

The Board will not presume to say, that the system which they recommend is the best for the purpose; but there can be no difference of opinion that some systematic method of gathering the offerings of the faithful for the Mission work of the Diocese must be adopted, if we are to come anywhere near the discharge of our duty in this most important matter. The people must be taught to give, and to give with a right motive, and to give liberally, of their substance, if our Missionary work is to be carried on with any thing like success.

The faithful labours of the Missionaries acting under the authority of the Board cannot be too highly commended. Under trials and discouragements that would chill the ardour of less enthusiastic and devoted labourers, the Missionaries of this Diocese have wrought early and late, in season and out of season, in some instances with most gratifying and astonishing results. With scanty stipends and meagre support, they have shown themselves to be no hirelings, but faithful and true shepherds, leading the sheep of the Good Shepherd away from danger, and folding them safely within the secure walls of the protecting Church. They have gone out far into the wilderness to reclaim those that had wandered away; to bring back such as had once known the safety of the Christian fold; and also to bring in those who had never

experienced the warmth and comfort of the Christian's home; and their reward is sure. However unappreciated and unsupported here, they will secure highest commendation and a crown of rejoicing from the Chief Shepherd hereafter.

The Board has had under consideration during the year, a plan for the gradual reduction and extinction of stipends. A sketch of this plan, prepared by the Chairman of the Committee which has the matter in charge, was printed in the September number of "Our Mission Work," and so brought to the notice of the Churchmen of the Diocese. It is needless, therefore, here to enter upon the details of the scheme. While fully recognizing that there may be, and probably will be, some few Stations where aid will be always needed, Stations which possibly will never become self-supporting parishes, yet the Board is satisfied that, in the great majority of cases, it would be for the best interest of the Stations themselves, that they should understand at the outset, that the assistance furnished by the Board is intended to be only temporary, and that it is to be gradually and systematically withdrawn. A stimulus toward self-support will thus be supplied, which it is believed will be both healthy and effective.

Since the preparation of this Report, the final Report of the Committee has been received and ordered to be presented to the Convention for its consideration.

The list of Stations, Missionaries and Stipends appropriated, is appended to this Report.

The Board recommends the adoption of the following resolutions, viz.:

*Resolved*, That the Missionary work of the Diocese is one than which none is more important; one which ought to call forth the fullest and heartiest support of every Churchman in the Diocese; and one which supplies the greatest and most speedy reward of encouragement and success, in return for judicious expenditure and wisely applied labor.

*Resolved*, That every member of the Church in the Diocese of Albany be urged to make his duty in the matter of Diocesan Missions a subject of especial consideration and diligent prayer; and that each one be asked, in discharge of this duty, to give freely of the substance with which God has blessed him; to give systematically, continually, and according to his ability, for the love of God, and of man, for God's sake.

*Resolved*, That the Board be directed to continue the publication of "Our Mission Work," at least quarterly during the year, and that Churchmen be encouraged to contribute to the expense of the publication.

*Resolved*, That the Board be directed to appropriate                      dollars for the Missionary work of the current year; and that a special effort be made by every member of this Convention, to pay the debt now existing, and to prevent debt in the future.

## STATIONS, MISSIONARIES AND STIPENDS, 1878.

1. *The Convocation of Albany.*

COUNTY.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Sti- pend.
Albany.....	Trinity.....	Rensselaerville... }	Rev. Robert Washbon..	
		Berne.....		
		Westerlo.....		
Fulton.....	Redeemer.....	Northampton.....	Rev. F. B. Crozier.....	\$150
	Trinity.....	Gloversville.....		
Greene.....	Calvary.....	Cairo.....		
	Grace.....	Prattsville.....	Rev. H. C. Hutchings..	200
	Trinity.....	Windham (in Ash- land).....		
	Trinity.....	Athens.....		
	Christ .....	Coxsackie.....	Rev. J. W. Stewart....	100
	Christ.....	Greeneville.....	Rev. Newton Dexter...	100
	St. Paul's.....	Oak Hill.....	Rev. Erastus Webster.	225
Herkimer.....	Trinity.....	Fairfield.....		
	Grace.....	Norway.....		
	Memorial.....	Middleville.....	Rev. Lewis F. Morris..	250
	St. Augustine's.	Ilion.....	Rev. E. M. Pecke.....	400
Montgomery,.	Zion.....	Fonda.....		
	Good Shepherd	Canajoharie.....		
	Holy Cross....	Fort Plain.....	Rev. C. H. Vandyne...	375
				<hr/> \$1,800

2. *The Convocation of Troy.*

Columbia.....	St. Luke's....	Clermont.....	Rev. M. E. Wilson....	\$150
	St. John's....	Copake.....		50
	Trinity.....	Claverack.....	Rev. Joseph Hooper...	125
	Our Saviour...	New Lebanon....		
		Chatham Centre .		
Rensselaer....	Trinity.....	Schaghticoke, ...	Rev. R. G. Hamilton...	325
		(Hart's Falls)....		
		Old Schaghticoke.		
Saratoga.....	St. Stephen's..	Schuylerville.....	Rev. G. W. Dean, S.T.D.	300
	St. Luke's....	Mechanicville .....	Rev. A. H. Stubbs....	75
	St. Paul's....	Charlton.....	Rev. R. T. S. Lowell, D.D	100
	St. John's....	Conklingville....		
Warren.....	St. Mary's....	Luzerne.....		
	Holy Cross....	Warrensburgh....	Rev. W. M. Ogden....	75
		Chester.....		
Essex.....	Conv. Ogdensb.	Schroon.....		
Warren.....		Bolton.....	Rev. C. H. Lancaster...	50
		French Mountain,		
Washington..	St. Luke's....	Cambridge.....		
	Trinity.....	Granville.....	Rev. W. M. Pickslay..	200
	St. Paul's....	Salem.....	Rev. J. H. Houghton..	250
				<hr/> \$1,850

3. *The Convocation of the Susquehanna.*

Delaware .....	Christ.....	Walton.....	Rev. R. C. Searing.....	\$125
	Christ.....	Deposit.....		
Otsego.....	St. James.....	Oneonta.....	Rev. T. A. Snyder.....	250
	St. Timothy's.	Westford.....		
	St. John's....	Portlandville....		
	Immanuel.....	Otego.....	Rev. W. C. Grubbe....	150

STATIONS, MISSIONARIES, ETC.—(Continued.)

COUNTY.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Sti- pend.
Schoharie....	St. John's.....	Richfield Springs...	{ Rev. Hobart Cooke.. Rev. E. A. Hartman..	\$200
	Christ .....	West Burlington. }		
		Edmeston..... }		
	Christ.....	Butternuts..... }	Rev. E. F. Baker.....	
	St. Paul's.....	East Springfield....		
	St. Luke's.....	Middleburgh.....		
				\$875

4. The Convocation of Ogdensburgh.

Clinton.....	Christ.....	Rouse's Point....	Rev. I. McElroy.....	\$250
	St. John's. ...	Champlain.....		
	St. Paul's.....	Centreville.....		
	St. Peter's.....	Ellenburgh.....		
	St. Luke's.....	Chazy.....		
	St. John's.....	Salmon River.....		
Essex.....	St. John's.....	Essex.....	Rev. E. L. Toy.....	300
		Lewis.....		
		Elizabethtown...		
	St. Paul's.....	Keeseville.....	Rev. C. A. Bragdon...	150
	St. James'.....	Ausable Forks...		
	Christ.....	Port Henry.....	Rev. W. R. Woodbridge	250
	Emmanuel....	Mineville.....		
	Of the Cross...	Ticonderoga .....	Rev. W. H. Cook.....	*200
Franklin.....	St. John in the			
	Wilderness..	St. Regis Lake...	Rev. C. S. Knapp.....	125
	St. Luke, the Be-	Saranac Lake....		
	lov'd Physician	Brush's Mills....		
	St. Peter's.....	West Bangor....	Rev. W. M. Cook.....	200
	St. Mark's.....	Lawrenceville....		
St. Lawrence.	St. Thomas'...	Hogansburgh....		
Franklin.....	St. James'.....	Massena.....	Rev. J. N. T. Goss....	525
St. Lawrence..	St. John's.....	Barnhart's Island.		
	All Saints'....	Helena.....		
		Long Sault Island		
	Grace.....	Louisville Land'g		
	St. Paul's.....	Waddington and	Rev. T. G. Clemson...	300
		parts adjacent..		
	Christ.....	Morristown.....	Rev. W. H. Phillips...	200
		Hammond.....		
	Trinity .....	Gouverneur.....		125
	St. Luke's.....	Lisbon.....		
	St. Andrew's..	Norwood .....	Rev. H. R. Howard, ) S.T.D..... ) Rev. J. R. L. Nisbett }	350
		Colton.....		
		Hanawa Falls....		
	St. Joseph's...	West Stockholm.		
		Parishville.....		
		West Potsdam...		
	Trinity .....	Morley.....	Rev. C. S. Olmsted....	275
	St. Philip's...	Madrid.....		
		Cranberry Lake....	Rev. W. A. Rich.....	
		Hopkinton. ....		
		Nicholville .....		
				\$3,250

\* Upon condition that the Parish raises \$400.

Of the nineteen Counties included in this Diocese there are Stations in seventeen.

Number of Stations in all, 92.

Vacant at present, 13.

Stations now served by Missionaries of the Board, 79.

Number of Missionaries now at work, 39.

Number of Churches under their care, 56.

Total amount of Stipends as now appropriated, \$7,775.

The Report of the Committee on Diocesan Missions was presented and read by the Rev. S. H. Coxe, D. D.:

Report of the Committee on the "Report of the Board of Missions."

1. Your Committee would respectfully recommend the adoption of the Board's Report.

2. We deem it advisable that the publication of "Our Mission Work" be continued.

3. We recommend a new issue of Missionary envelopes by the Board, to be used in the same manner as in the past; and we are of the opinion that much might be gained by an appeal to each Rector in whose care Missionary envelopes are not now in use, to be issued by the Secretary of the Convention in such form as he may see fit.

4. We believe that some systematic plan for the gradual reduction of the Missionary stipends should be adopted. The plan alluded to in the Report committed to us, not having been submitted in full, we cannot judge fairly of its merits. We are informed that it is to be presented in full to the Convention.

S. HANSON COXE,  
HENRY M. SMYTH,  
J. D. HENDERSON.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions was presented and read by Mr. Selden E. Marvin, Treasurer:

DIOCESSE OF ALBANY,  
ALBANY, *December 31st, 1878.*

Another year has rolled around and brought us together again for the making up of our annual work, and the presentation of the same to those we represent, for a retrospection upon what has been done, and what has been left undone. If we have performed the full measure of our duty and cancelled to the extent of our ability the obligations, laid upon us, we have reason to be grateful to the Giver of all good, for the means he has employed in enabling us to have accomplished so much. Whilst our receipts have not been so large as in former years and whilst we have made some reduction in our debt from what it was a year ago, I am led to the belief that efforts have been made by those in charge of parishes to bring about even a more favorable condition of

our finances than we are able to present, and that but for the continued stringency in monetary affairs a much larger amount of receipts would have been reported.

Our debt on the 1st day of January, 1878, not including the amount due the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, was \$3,867.35, our present debt as reported is \$1,837.85 (not including above debt). Deducting from the above the amounts received since the report was made up, the actual deficiency is \$1,533.35, showing a reduction of \$2,334 from what it was a year ago. The receipts for the year 1877 were \$10,973.34; the receipts for the year just closed were \$8,390.62, showing a falling off of \$2,582.72.

At its first meeting, the Board very wisely determined to make the appropriations for the year upon such a basis as in their judgment the Diocese could and would raise, and at the same time remove the existing debt. Had our receipts during the past year been as large as the previous, we should have been out of debt, and the expectations of the Board realized. I trust our action for the coming year, and the amount of the receipts we have reason to expect, will enable us at the end thereof to report ourselves without the load of any debt, and with means provided for an increase of our work.

I must call the attention of the Board to the condition of the debt for taxes, insurance, etc., on the Bishop's House. This debt is well known to all the Parishes in the Diocese. It has been indorsed by three Conventions, and a mode provided for its payment. It was originally \$2,800: by the payment of assessments it has been reduced to \$1,250. This amount is carried in the bank upon the individual indorsement of the lay members of the Board and should be paid. I trust some action will be taken by the Convention to provide for its payment. In fact I think the lay members of the Board, whose generosity has already been well tested, have a right to ask this of the representatives of the Diocese in the Convention.

The following resolution was passed at the last Convention :

*“ Resolved, That the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Albany, be and hereby is appointed by the Convention to receive from the Treasurer of the Parochial Fund of the Diocese of New York the sum of one thousand dollars, authorized by a resolution of the Convention of that Diocese, passed Sept. 30th, 1869, to be transferred to this Diocese, together with any interest that may have accrued thereon, and to hold the same in trust for the objects had in view in the foundation and establishment of the Parochial Fund of the Diocese of New York.”*

I have had some correspondence with the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of this Fund. He has called three meetings of the Board, and



to this time has not succeeded in obtaining a quorum to act upon the above. I will pursue the matter until some decision is reached.

I have to report that our indebtedness to the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund still exists, and amounts to \$800.

Very respectfully,

*Adam E. Marvin.*

*Treasurer.*

### SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

ALBANY, *December 31st*, A. D. 1878.

#### *Receipts.*

From the Convocation of Albany.....	\$3,043 95
“ “ Troy.....	2,625 92
“ “ the Susquehanna.....	611 03
“ “ Ogdensburgh.....	1,300 89
From Sundry sources.....	504 33
For Special purposes.....	646 59
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	\$8,732 71
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#### *Disbursements.*

Balance due Treasurer last year.....	\$1,739 14
Stipends paid in the Convocation of Albany.....	1,559 16
“ “ “ Troy.....	1,741 67
“ “ “ the Susquehanna....	815 24
“ “ “ Ogdensburgh.....	3,268 76
German Services.....	133 33
Sundry purposes.....	666 67
Special purposes.....	646 59
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	\$10,570 56
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Balance due the Treasurer, Jan. 1, 1879.....	\$1,837 85
Due to the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.....	800 00
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Total Indebtedness.....	\$2,637 85
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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS ON ACCOUNT OF  
DEBT ON THE BISHOP'S HOUSE.

*Disbursements.*

1878.		
Feb. 9.	Note discounted.....	\$1,500 00
July 22.	“ “ .....	1,250 00
Nov. 5.	“ “ .....	1,250 00
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		\$4,000 00
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*Receipts.*

1878.		
Jan. 1.	Balance on hand.....	\$69 66
	13. St. George's, Schenectady.....	68 40
	Christ, Cooperstown .....	34 96
Feb. 9.	Proceeds \$1,250 note.....	1,220 11
May 18.	St. Andrew's, Norwood.....	5 40
July 22.	Proceeds \$1,250 note.....	1,225 45
Aug. 21.	Messiah, Glens Falls.....	38 40
Sept. 17.	Trinity, West Troy.....	31 70
Nov. 14.	Proceeds \$1,250 note.....	1,220 10
	Balance due Treasurer.....	85 82
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		\$4,000 00
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The resolutions presented by the Board of Missions in its Report were considered *seriatim*, and, on motion, the first three were adopted.

The fourth resolution being under consideration, Mr. H. R. Pierson moved that the blank be filled with \$12,500.00.

The Rev. J. D. Morrison offered as a substitute for the resolution presented by the Board of Missions, the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That it is expedient that the sum of \$12,500.00 be raised for the Mission work of the Church in this Diocese for the ensuing year; and that Clergy and Laity use every means to endeavour to reach the above sum ; with the suggestion to the Board of Missions, that the appropriations to be made for this year be established upon the same basis as now ; and that if there is an increase from quarter to quarter in the receipts, the Board will govern its future work accordingly.

On motion of the Rev. R. A. Olin, it was

*Resolved*, That the plan of individual pledges be again recommended to the Parishes as the most desirable means of raising the funds required for the Missionary work of the Diocese.

An Offertory was then received.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Board of Missions for the ensuing year.

Mr. Selden E. Marvin nominated the Rev. Fenwick M. Cookson and Mr. Richard H. Cushney as members from the Diocese at large.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed the Tellers:

*Clerical Vote:* the Rev. W. Bogert Walker and Mr. George B. McCartee.

*Lay Vote:* the Rev. J. R. L. Nisbett and Mr. J. D. Henderson.

The Roll of the Clergy was called by the Secretary, and the Roll of the Lay Delegates by the Assistant Secretary; and the ballots of the members were received by the Tellers.

The Rt. Rev. President announced that the polls were closed, and directed the Tellers to count the votes, for which purpose they had leave to retire.

The Tellers of the Clerical Vote for a Board of Missions reported.

Whole number of votes cast, 57: necessary to choice, 29.

#### CONVOCATION OF ALBANY.

The Rev. Samuel E. Smith, 57; Mr. Henry R. Pierson, 57.

#### CONVOCATION OF TROY.

The Rev. Frank L. Norton, 57; Mr. Walter A. Wood, 57.

#### CONVOCATION OF THE SUSQUEHANNA.

The Rev. Theodore A. Snyder, 51; the Rev. Hobart Cooke, 4; the Rev. Reeve Hobbie, 2; and Mr. G. Pomeroy Keese, 57.

#### CONVOCATION OF OGDENSBURGH.

The Rev. J. D. Morrison, 39; the Rev. W. R. Woodbridge, 17; scattering, 1; Mr. Thomas L. Harison, 57.

#### DIOCESE AT LARGE.

The Rev. Fenwick M. Cookson, 57; Mr. Richard H. Cushney, 57.

WM. BOGERT WALKER,  
GEO. B. MCCARTTEE.

The Tellers of the Lay Vote for a Board of Missions reported:

Whole number of votes cast, 18: necessary to choice, 10.

#### CONVOCATION OF ALBANY.

The Rev. Samuel E. Smith, 17; Mr. Henry R. Pierson, 16.

#### CONVOCATION OF TROY.

The Rev. Frank L. Norton, 17; Mr. Walter A. Wood, 17.

CONVOCATION OF THE SUSQUEHANNA.

The Rev. Theodore A. Snyder, 14; the Rev. Hobart Cooke, 1; the Rev. Reeve Hobbie, 2; Mr. G. Pomeroy Keese, 14; Mr. A. B. Cox, 2.

CONVOCATION OF OGDENSBURGH.

The Rev. J. D. Morrison, 12; the Rev. W. R. Woodbridge, 4; the Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D., 1; defective, 1; Mr. Thomas L. Harison, 15; William H. Sawyer, 2; defective, 1.

J. R. L. NISBETT,  
J. D. HENDERSON.

The Rt. Rev President declared elected the persons nominated by the several Convocations and by the Treasurer of the Board, as the Board of Missions of the Diocese:

CONVOCATION OF ALBANY.

The Rev. Samuel E. Smith,      Mr. Henry R. Pierson.

CONVOCATION OF TROY.

The Rev. Frank L. Norton,      Mr. Walter A. Wood.

CONVOCATION OF THE SUSQUEHANNA.

The Rev. Theodore A. Snyder,      Mr. G. Pomeroy Keese.

CONVOCATION OF OGDENSBURGH.

The Rev. J. D. Morrison,      Mr. Thomas L. Harison.

DIOCESE AT LARGE.

The Rev. Fenwick M. Cookson,      Mr. Richard H. Cushney.

The Convention then adjourned until nine o'clock of Wednesday morning.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

*January 15th, half-past seven o'clock.*

The Holy Communion was administered, the Rev. Archdeacon Howard celebrating, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. James E. Hall and J. R. L. Nisbett.

*Nine o'clock.*

Morning Prayer and the Litany were said by the Rev. W. C. Grubbe.

The Rt. Rev. President took the Chair and called the Convention to order.

The Minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

The names of the Clergy and Lay Delegates, not present yesterday, were called by the Secretary; and the following-named members answered and took their seats:

*Of the Clergy :*

The Rev. Messrs. R. J. Adler, Charles S. Knapp, Edward Selkirk and Walter Thompson.

*Of Lay Delegates :*

ALBANY COUNTY.

*St. Paul's Church, Albany, John H. Van Antwerp.*

*Trinity Church, Albany, George F. Granger.*

*Grace Church, Albany, Francis Freckleton.*

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

*Christ Church, Hudson, H. J. Barringer.*

DELAWARE COUNTY.

*St. John's Church, Delhi, Frank L. Norton.*

HERKIMER COUNTY.

*Trinity Church, Fairfield, Reuben Neely.*

OTSEGO COUNTY.

*Grace Church, Cherry Valley, A. B. Cox.*

*St. John's Church, Portlandville, Robert M. Townsend.*

RENSSELAER COUNTY.

*Christ Church, Troy, Samnel C. Tappin.*

SARATOGA COUNTY.

*Grace Church, Waterford, John Higgins.*

*St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville, J. F. Knickerbocker.*

*Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, John W. Fhninger.*

WARREN COUNTY.

*Church of the Holy Cross, Warrensburgh, Richard J. Whitby.*

A Report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons was presented and read by the Secretary.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom it was referred "to prepare the necessary forms and instructions for the appointment of Lay Deputies, and matters connected with the incorporation and admission of Churches," respectfully report that they have given attention to the duty assigned them, and prepared forms and instructions for the appointment of Lay Deputies, either by Vestries, or by Congregations. In regard to the incorporation and admission of Churches, it was found that the forms, etc., required would be of considerable extent, and consequently expensive to print; while the number of Churches to be incorporated and admitted is very small. We recommend therefore that the very carefully prepared forms adopted in the Diocese of New York, and printed for its use, be followed in this Diocese. Several printed copies of these forms, kindly furnished by the Rev. Dr. Eigenbrodt, are herewith presented to the Convention

By order of the Committee,

J. W. STEWART,

*Chairman.*

*January 14, 1879.*

The Report of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary was presented and read:

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary respectfully report: That, upon examination, they find there are no vacancies to be filled in the list of members of the Board of Trustees from this Diocese. They also find that there are twelve students from this Diocese pursuing their studies at the Seminary.

ROBERT WEEKS, *Chairman.*

WM. BOGERT WALKER.

C. H. BEACH.

E. D. FERGUSON.

GEO. B. MCCARTEE.

The Report of the Special Committee, to which was referred the proposed amendment of SEC. 5, Canon XIV, was presented and read:

The Committee to which the amendment of SEC. 5, Canon XIV.

was referred, respectfully report that they have examined the proposed line of division, and the present and prospective reasons for such division, and unanimously recommend that the proposed division should be made.

J. D. MORRISON,  
*Rector of Ogdensburgh.*

HENRY M. SMYTH,  
*Rector of Plattsburgh.*

CHAS. H. MCNEILL,  
*Delegate from Trinity Church, Plattsburgh.*

T. STREATFIELD CLARKSON.  
*Delegate from Trinity Church, Potsdam.*

A motion to postpone for one year was lost.

The proposed amendment was then adopted by the concurrent vote of the Clergy and the Parishes, and the Bishop announced his approval of the change.

The Rev. W. Gwynne read the Report of the "Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany and its Vicinity":

The Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany and its Vicinity reports to the Convention of the Diocese that during the year 1878 it has made the following grants to the parishes, viz.: 211 Bibles, 57 New Testaments, 1,501 Prayer Books (of which 13 were 16 mo.), and 895 Hymnals—in all 2,664 volumes. There have also been sold (in addition to the sales of the Troy Depository) 71 Prayer Books, 7 Hymnals and 2 Bibles. The sum total of volumes distributed is, therefore, 2,744.

#### THE ABSTRACT OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT IS AS FOLLOWS :

##### *Receipts.*

Cash on hand at last report.....	\$52 02
Receipts from 50 parishes.....	376 12
Receipts from investments.....	750 00
Receipts from sales of books.....	47 41
Legacy, Mrs. Priscilla Lintern.....	125 00
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	\$1,350 55
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*Payments.*

For books.....	\$904 39
For incidentals.....	12 32
For Permanent Fund.....	300 00
Balance.....	133 84
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	\$1,350 55

The Permanent Fund amounts to \$11,000.

By order of the Society.

WALKER GWYNNE,

*Corresponding Secretary.*

*January 14th, 1879.*

A Report from the Committee on Constitution and Canons was presented, and read by the Secretary:

The Committee on Constitution and Canons respectfully report upon the matters referred to them as follows:

I. In regard to the proposed amendment to Canon XIV, we are of opinion that it is not expedient to require that the lay delegates to Convocations shall necessarily be communicants.

II. In regard to the proposed amendment to Canon VI, it appears that in a number of Dioceses, as in our own, the Registrar and not the Secretary is the proper officer to receive and preserve Diocesan Journals, so that the proposal to insert "or Registrars" after "Secretaries" might seem proper. But if, as we think is reasonable, the Canon be understood as directing that a copy of the Journal be sent to each Diocese through the officer appointed to receive it, there would seem to be no necessity for the verbal change; and unless there be a necessity we deprecate the making of any amendment to the Canons.

III. As to the proposed new paragraph, to be prefixed to the Standing Order of the Conduct of Elections, as the proposal, if adopted, could not be made operative at this Convention, and as we are not yet prepared to express an opinion upon it, we ask to be allowed to report upon it at the next Convention.

IV. We are of opinion that the "Child's Hospital," which it was proposed to include among the objects for which annual offerings are required, may safely be left to the sympathy and generous support which it already receives from the spontaneous liberality of the Church, without attempting to enforce its claims by canonical legislation.

By order of the Committee.

J. W. STEWART,

*Chairman.*

*January 15th, 1879.*

On motion of the Secretary, the Committee was authorized to report to the next Convention on the proposed change in the Standing Order governing Elections.

The Reports from the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, and of the Committee on the same, were presented and read :

ORPHAN HOUSE OF THE HOLY SAVIOUR — REPORT OF THE SUPER-INTENDENT FOR 1878.

During the year 1878 there have been forty children at the Diocesan Orphanage, fourteen boys and twenty-six girls. The number in the family has seldom varied, four grown persons and thirty-six children, making up the usual household. Six have returned to their friends, or been provided with good homes, and eight have been admitted. The children come as usual from the four Convocations.

Since April 1st there has been a change in the house occupied by the Orphanage. At that date we believed that we should be compelled to move, and two cottages were rented for the purpose. At this moment the property we have occupied passed into other hands. The agent of the present proprietor offered to put the house in thorough condition, with new roof, cistern, and drains, adding several rooms also, provided we would renew our lease for three years. This proposition was gladly accepted. We were kindly released from our contract for the cottages already rented. The repairs were begun, and the work carried on, during the Summer, while the family of forty persons were still occupying the building. The confusion was indescribable, as there were repairs going on in every room, in addition to the building of the wing. In spite of the disorder the daily work of the house was carried on, and the school kept up with regularity. The workmen employed were considerate, and a respectable class of men. No accident occurred to the children. A large schoolroom was added, a new bedroom for boys, one for girls, and two smaller chambers. The new roof, and drains were an especial cause for thankfulness, the health of the family having been seriously endangered by their bad condition during the past two years. On the 7th of August the repairs were nearly completed, and the Annual Festival was held in the new schoolroom. The building in its present condition answers our purpose very respectably, as much so as any ordinary dwelling-house, made over, can be expected to do. But a well-regulated Diocesan Orphanage requires a house especially adapted to the work, in many of its arrangements. The deficiencies in our present Home are the want of a hospital room for sick children, a bath-room, a woodshed, a garret, dry cellars, and a larger kitchen — all the work for a family of forty, washing, baking, cooking, etc., being now carried on

in one small kitchen. There is now accommodation for about forty-five children.

One room built was intended to receive some eight girls from the pauper children of the county ; we were told by the official authority that they were coming, and prepared for them. In November the Supervisors visited the Orphanage ; they were very decided in their approbation of the work, and its influences for good. Nevertheless the girls have not been sent to us. It is said that "*adverse influences*" are now active. We have still six little pauper girls from this county with us. All are much improved. These are not likely to be removed. The original number was nine — for three we have provided very good homes, where they are doing well.

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in June, at the Orphanage. The Bishop, to our regret, could not be with us. At that date the expenditure for the half year had exceeded the receipts to the amount of \$324. As funds were coming in very slowly, the Board passed an unanimous resolution that the Rectors, and Superintendents of Sunday Schools, be requested to make an especial collection for the benefit of the Orphanage on the first Sunday in October, with the view to extinguishing the debt. A circular to that effect was sent to all the Parishes.

The general health of the family has been good. And we have especial cause for thankfulness that the children were spared from the diphtheria at a moment when several deaths occurred in the town from that disease, and the old drains at the Orphanage were being opened for repairs. By the watchful direction of Dr. Bassett the best disinfectants were freely used, sulphur was burned twice daily throughout the house, and every possible precaution of cleanliness was taken. A number of the children were ailing for a time, but there was no serious illness. We owe especial thanks to Dr. Bassett for faithful kindness to the Orphans. And our warmest thanks are also due to the Child's Hospital in Albany for receiving a cripple—consumptive girl, who could not safely remain at the Orphanage.

We have received much kind assistance from friends in different parts of the Diocese in the clothing department : From Grace Church, Cherry Valley, Mrs. Beaumont, 18 girls' hats ; Mr. A. B. Cox, sheeting ; by Rev. R. Hobbie, three comfortables. From St. John's Church, Richfield Springs: Miss Tunnicliff, three comfortables ; Mrs. Ransom, do ; Mrs. Jewell, 2 do ; Mrs. Cary and Mrs. Butler, 2 do ; Mrs. Getman, 6 pairs stockings, 4 aprons, 4 pairs mittens. St Paul's Church, Troy, 20 girls' dresses, 12 chemises, 4 shirts, 1 nightgown, 4 sheets, 13 petticoats. Christ Church, Hudson, a valuable package of clothing. St. Mark's, Hoosick Falls, a valuable box of clothing and sheets. St.

George's, Schenectady, 22 girls' calico dresses. St John's, Johnstown, box of valuable clothing, 85 articles. From Albany, by Mrs. Ten Eyck, 18 girls' hats. Christ Church, Cooperstown, Mrs. Sturges, clothing for one girl; Mrs. Edick, clothing for one girl; Mrs. Goffe, clothing for one girl; Mrs. Sill, 8 pairs mittens; Mrs. Carter, \$50 worth of shoes. St. John's Church, Cohoes, a full set of winter stockings for the children; Mrs. E. Matthews, Morris, 12 pairs of cotton stockings; Mrs. Wheeler, 1 comfortable, 4 pillow cases; Mrs. Rutherford, two dress patterns; Mrs. Beam, 4 pairs mittens. Schuyler's Lake, through Miss Lent, 3 comfortables, 5 pillows, 6 pairs small stockings. The ladies of St. John's, Portlandville, and St. Paul's, East Springfield, have been very kind in sewing for the Orphanage.

More assistance than usual has also been received from friends in the neighborhood in the way of provisions. From Mrs. Carter, frequent supplies of vegetables; Mr. Keese, apples, turnips, carrots; Mr. Pierson, 2 barrels apples; Mrs. Brooks, apples; Mr. Hooker, milk; Mr. Converse, meat once every week; Mr. Rogers, beans, pork, apples; Mrs. Carr, pork.

Disbursements for the year: Salaries and wages, \$602.80; coal and wood, \$257.31; school books and stationery, \$58.90; furniture for the new rooms, \$175.20; clothing, \$53.34; medicines, \$26.33; rent, \$253.68; shoes, \$76; provisions, lights and soap, \$1,136.29; freight and express, \$13.75. Total expenditure, \$2,663.60.

Receipts for the year: From forty Churches, \$950.58; from individuals, \$294.98; for board of children (of which for board of eight children paid by Otsego Co., \$814), \$1,177.70; interest on bond, \$70; cash on hand, January 1st, 1878, \$191.82. Total receipts, \$2,685.08; cash on hand January 1st, 1879, \$31.48.

There is still however an indebtedness beyond these disbursements for nine months rent, and bills not presented in time to be included in the Treasurer's report, amounting in all to \$500.

Respectfully submitted,

SUSAN FENIMORE COOPER,

January 1st, 1879.

*Superintendent.*

#### ABSTRACT OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

1878.

##### *Receipts.*

Jan. 1. Cash on hand .....	\$191 82
From Parishes, individuals, etc.....	2,493 26
Total.....	<u>\$2,685 08</u>

*Disbursements.*

Balance of rents and taxes in full to April 1st....	\$253 68
Shoes and clothing .....	129 34
Salaries and wages .....	602 80
Provisions .....	1,136 29
Coal and wood .....	257 31
School books and stationery .....	58 90
Furniture .....	175 20
Freight and express .....	13 75
Medicines .....	26 33
Cash on hand .....	31 48
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	\$2,685 08
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The Committee on the Diocesan Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, having under consideration the Reports of the Superintendent and Treasurer, and also a Memorial of the Trustees of said institution, respectfully report:

They call the special attention of the Convention to two facts: 1st, that although the Trustees have been obliged to sell a bond of \$500 given originally to the Building Fund, there is still required a sum of \$500 to meet all present indebtedness; 2nd, that only 39 Parishes contributed during the year to this canonical object.

Your Committee is of the opinion expressed in the memorial that the Orphan House has a paramount claim upon the liberal support of the Diocese, both on account of the nature of its work, and of the fact that it is the oldest institution in the Diocese devoted to corporal works of mercy. They believe that the Diocese will not allow itself to be disgraced by failing to maintain a charity to whose support it has solemnly pledged itself, and which has proved such an excellent and faithful almoner of the Church. Placed, as the House is, away from the chief centres of Church life, its needs require to be definitely, and from time to time, brought before our people. In accordance therefore with the spirit of the memorial, your Committee would recommend that one day in the year be appointed whereon every clergyman in the Diocese should give information in regard to the Orphan House, and present its claims upon the hearts and consciences of the faithful.

Although Christmas day is for many reasons a most fitting one for this purpose, yet it is obvious that in many Parishes the offerings on this day are devoted by old custom to other objects. To attempt to unsettle such arrangements would not be wise.

Your Committee are of the opinion that the Sunday after the Feast of the Presentation of the Holy Child in the Temple is one which on the whole is best fitted for this purpose.

They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Sunday next after the Feast of the Purification in each year is hereby recommended as the day on which to present the claims of the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour to the hearts and consciences of the faithful of this Diocese, children as well as adults.

WALKER GWYNNE,  
A. B. OLMSTEAD.

On motion, the Resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bostwick, it was

*Resolved*, That the Diocese of Albany commends to the children of the Diocese the support of the Diocesan institutions for the care of orphans and the cure of sick children; and especially asks for their offerings, at least once in each year, to sustain these institutions.

The Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was presented and read:

The Committee upon Unfinished Business, upon examination, find there is no *unfinished business* to report upon.

WALTER THOMPSON,  
*Chairman.*

REEVE HOBBIIE,  
H. S. WYNKOOP.

The Reports of the Trustees, and of the Treasurer, of the Fund for Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of the Committee on the same, were presented and read:

DIOCESE OF ALBANY,  
ALBANY, *December 31st*, A. D. 1878.

The Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen present herewith the Report of the Treasurer of the Fund showing the receipts and disbursements of the year.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE FUND FOR THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31ST, 1878.**

*Disbursements.*

1878. March 31.	Paid Mrs. J. L. Harrison.....	\$25 00
July 13.	Paid Mrs. J. L. Harrison.....	50 00
Oct. 15.	Paid Mrs. J. L. Harrison.....	50 00
Dec. 31.	Paid Mrs. J. M. Nisbett.....	50 00
	Balance on hand.....	521 03
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		\$696 03
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*Receipts.*

1878. Jan'y 1.	Balance on hand.....	\$568 96
	Cathedral of All Saints.....	5 00
	Trinity, West Troy.....	7 00
	St. Augustine's, Ilion.....	4 55
	Zion, Fonda.....	2 00
	St. John the Evangelist, Stockport.....	3 56
	St. Paul's, Troy.....	20 05
	St. John's, Troy.....	20 05
	Christ, Ballston Spa.....	21 77
	Messiah, Glens Falls.....	19 14
	St. Paul's, Salem.....	3 44
	Trinity, Whitehall.....	1 28
	St. John's, Portlandville.....	1 00
	St. Mark's, Malone.....	7 23
	St. John's, Ogdensburgh.....	4 00
	Trinity, Potsdam.....	7 00
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		\$696 03
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1879. Jan'y 1.	Balance on hand.....	\$521 03
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*Adam E. Marvin.*  
Treasurer.

The Committee appointed to examine the Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, for the year 1878, beg leave to say, that they have examined said Report and find the same correct.

JAMES CAIRD,  
HENRY J. ESTCOURT.



The Report of the Registrar, and the Report of the Committee on the same were presented and read :

The Registrar of the Diocese respectfully reports: 1st. That he has received and placed on file in the Archives the following, viz. :

1. The Journals of the different Diocesan Conventions in the United States, completing the files since the organization of this Diocese, excepting those of Mississippi for 1871 and 1872, that of Central New York for 1875, of Florida for 1874, and of California, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Springfield, Texas and Wisconsin, and of the Missionary Districts of Dakota, Colorado, Montana, Nevada, Nebraska, Northern Texas, Western Texas and New Mexico for 1878.

2. One copy of the semi-centennial services of St. Paul's Church, Albany, 1877.

3. One copy of the sermon of Bishop Coxe, at the dedication of the Tower of St. Peter's Church, Albany.

4. One copy of "Our Mission Work," for 1878.

2ndly. That he has complied with the direction of the last Convention in regard to making provision for the better preservation of the Archives, at an expense of \$1.25.

3rdly. That he has caused the Journals in the Archives to be bound to the number of 56 volumes, at 50 cents per volume.

He respectfully asks that the Registrar be authorized during the current year, to bind in the same style, the remaining Journals of the last ten years, so soon as the files may be completed.

GEORGE FISHER,  
*Registrar of the Diocese of Albany.*

The Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Registrar, respectfully report that they have examined the same, and find it satisfactory.

They submit the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the Registrar be authorized to make the necessary provision for the more permanent preservation of the Archives.

*Resolved*, That he be authorized to bind the unbound Conventional Journals now in his possession, and that he be allowed to draw upon the Treasurer of the Diocese, to defray the expenses, not exceeding \$25.00.

RICHARD TEMPLE.

On motion the resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

The Reports of the Trustees, and of the Treasurer, of the Episcopal Fund, and of the Committee on the Bishop's Salary, and the Report of the Committee on the same, were presented and read :

*To the Convention of the Diocese of Albany :*

The undersigned Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany respectfully report that they hold the following investments for the Fund :

Bonds and mortgages on real estate in the City of Albany, at 7 per cent. ....	\$31,500 00
\$1,000 Buffalo City Water Bond, at 7 per cent, cost. ....	1,090 00
\$3,600 U. S. 5-20 6 per cent bonds, cost. ....	4,169 25
Parish Bond, St. John's Church, Cohoes. ....	800 00
Parish Bond, Grace Church, Waterford. ....	500 00
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	\$38,059 25
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Respectfully yours,

H. PUMPELTY,  
JAMES FORSYTH,  
A. P. PALMER,  
J. H. VAN ANTWERP.

ALBANY, *January 14th*, 1879.

NOTE.—In the Convention Journal of 1878, page 84, there is a typographical error of \$1,000, in making \$4,600 U. S. Bonds cost \$4,179.25 instead of \$5,179.25 which was the cost thereof with premium thereon.

*To the Convention :*

The undersigned Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany respectfully reports receipts and disbursements of the Fund as follows :

1878.	<i>Received.</i>	
Jan. 17.	Contribution of Trinity Church, Rensselaerville,	\$2 00
Aug. 15.	\$1,100 called 5-20's, 65, interest and premium..	1,112 00
	21. Contribution of Grace Church, Canton. ....	4 43
1879.		
Jan. 4.	Transfer from income account .....	57 07
	4. Interest on balances in bank. ....	16 50
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		\$1,192 00
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1879.		Disbursed.	
Jan.	4.	For \$1,000 Buffalo City 7 per cent Bond.....	\$1,090 00
	4.	For \$100 5-20, 1867.....	102 00
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			\$1,192 00
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J. H. VAN ANTWERP,  
Treasurer Episcopal Fund.

ALBANY, January 14th, 1879.

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Episcopal Income in account with J. H. Van Antwerp, Treasurer.

1878.		Dr.	
Jan.	29.	To repairs on Bishop's House, Ridgway & Russ' bill.....	\$59 99
	30.	Thos. Stephens' bill.....	43 00
	31.	N. Martineau's bill .....	37 53
April	1.	paid Bishop, quarter's salary. ....	1,250 00
	15.	\$10,000 insurance on Bishop's House to Jan. 2, 1879.....	14 16
July	1.	paid Bishop, quarter's salary.....	1,250 00
Aug.	7.	\$3,500 insurance on Bishop's House to Aug. 9, 1879.....	10 50
Oct.	15.	paid Bishop, quarter's salary.....	1,250 00
1879.			
Jan.	2.	paid Bishop, quarter's salary.....	1,250 00
		\$10,000 insurance on Bishop's house to Jan. 2, 1880.....	20 00
	4.	transferred to " Episcopal Fund " .....	57 07
	10.	paid taxes on Bishop's house, 1878.....	350 77
	11.	printing, postage, etc., of Secretary .....	75 00
Balance .....			434 30
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			\$6, 102 32
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1878.		By balance from last report.....	\$586 67
Jan. 29.		contribution Ridgway & Russ.....	11 47
Feb. 1.		interest Clute mortgage.....	122 50
April 1.		interest Wendt mortgage.....	140 00
		Tillinghast, Secretary, 1877.....	387 63
		Tillinghast, Secretary, 1878.....	176 00

May	1.	interest on St. John's Church, Cohoes, Bond to Feb. 1, 1878.....	\$28 00
	6.	interest Grace Church, Waterford, Bond to Jan 1, 1878 .....	35 00
July	1.	interest \$4,600 5-20 U. S. Bonds and premium,	139 00
		interest Gibson mortgage.....	140 00
		interest Kennah mortgage.....	210 00
		interest Edward mortgage .....	140 00
		interest Clark mortgage ....., ..	280 00
	11.	Tillinghast, Secretary, 1878.....	376 00
Aug.	9.	interest Clute mortgage.....	122 50
	14.	interest Kelly mortgage, Feb. 1 .....	70 00
		interest Kelly mortgage, Aug. 1.....	70 00
	23.	St. John's Church, Cohoes, bond to Aug. 1, 1878.....	28 00
Oct.	5.	interest Wendt mortgage.....	140 00
	14.	Tillinghast, 1878.....	500 00
	30.	Tillinghast, 1878.....	339 63
	1879.		
Jan.	2.	interest Gibson mortgage.....	140 00
		interest Kennah mortgage.....	210 00
		interest Edward mortgage.....	140 00
		interest Clark mortgage .....	280 00
		Tillinghast, 1877.....	129 00
		Tillinghast, 1878.....	684 26
		Tillinghast, 1878.....	369 66
		interest \$3,500 U. S. 5-20 Bonds.....	105 00
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			\$6,102 32
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1879, Balance in Bank.....			\$434 30
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J. H. VAN ANTWERP,  
*Treasurer.*

ALBANY, *January 14th*, 1879.

**BISHOP'S SALARY—ASSESSMENTS, 1878.**

Amount of assessments paid, \$2,547.25 ; amount of assessments unpaid, \$406.00 ; total amount of assessments, \$2,953.25.

Remitted to J. H. Van Antwerp, Treasurer.

1878, March	30.....	\$387 63	1879, Jan.	9.....	\$75 00
May	30.....	176 00		.....	294 66
July	8.....	376 00			
Oct.	12.....	500 00			\$2,962 18
	29.....	339 63	On account of assessments		
1879, Jan.	1.....	684 26	for 1877, paid since		
	9.....	129 00	last report.....		

For the Committee,

J. J. TILLINGHAST, Secretary.

TROY, January 9th, 1879. E. & O. E.

We the undersigned Committee, appointed to examine the Secretary's Report of the Committee on the Bishop's Salary for the year 1878, do hereby certify that we have examined the same, and find it to be correct.

WALTER DELAFIELD,  
JNO. KEYES PAIGE,  
L. G. McDONALD.

ALBANY, January 14, 1879.

On motion of the Rev. F. Harison, S.T.D., it was

Ordered, That the Schedule of assessments, payments, etc., contained in the Report of the Committee on the Bishop's Salary be printed as an Appendix to the Journal.

On motion of the Rev. F. Harison, S. T. D., it was

Resolved, That the subject of the impairment of the capital of the Episcopal Fund, by the depreciation of securities purchased at a premium, be referred to the Trustees of that Fund for consideration.

The Reports of the Trustees, and of the Treasurer, of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, and of the Committee on the same, were presented and read :

DIOCESE OF ALBANY,  
ALBANY, December 31st, 1878.

The undersigned Trustees of the Fund for the Support of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, respectfully report that the receipts and dis-

bursements of the year have been as reported by the Treasurer, as follows :

Balance on hand, as per last report.....	\$2,371 09
Receipts from Parishes.....	216 71
Receipts from interest on bonds and mortgages.....	721 17
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Total.....	\$3,308 97
Disbursements.....	1,050 00
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Balance on hand.....	<u>\$2,258 97</u>

The Permanent Fund consists of three bonds and mortgages, amounting to \$11,000, as follows :

William H. Radford.....	\$5,000 00
Alexander McDonald.....	5,000 00
Robert D. Wood.....	1,000 00

upon which the interest has been regularly paid. There is due from the Board of Missions the sum of eight hundred dollars.

Accompanying this Report is a statement of the Treasurer in detail.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE,  
ORLANDO MEADS,  
AMASA J. PARKER, JR.,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN.

The Committee appointed to examine the account of receipts and disbursements in the matter of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, respectfully report that they find the same to be correct.

HOBART COOKE,  
FREDK. S. GRIFFIN.

The Reports of the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, and of the Committee on the same, and also the Report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, of money received and disbursed by him for the education of theological students, were presented and read :

The Superintendent of the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning in the State of New York, as the Canonical Agent of the Diocese of Albany for distributing all funds for Theological Education, would respectfully report :

That during the last Conventional year the Diocese of Albany has

contributed for the cause of Theological Education through this Society the sum of one hundred and twenty-six dollars, as follows:

1878.

Jan. 4.	Church of the Messiah, Greenbush.....	\$5 00
" 21.	Trinity Church, Whitehall.....	5 00
Feb. 19.	Trinity Church, Potsdam.....	15 00
Mar. 21.	Grace Church, Canton.....	4 00
June 11.	Christ Church, Ballston Spa.....	20 11
" 13.	Christ Church, Walton.....	2 00
" 21.	Trinity Church, West Troy.....	10 96
July 23.	St. John the Evangelist, Stockport.....	15 00
Aug. 27.	St. Augustine's Church, Ilion.....	1 68
Sep. 14.	St. Paul's Church, Troy.....	25 00
" 20.	St. Paul's Church, Salem.....	22 25
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		\$126 00
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This whole sum has been appropriated to the object for which it was given, and besides this two thousand dollars and upwards have been contributed from the funds of the Society for the support of Students and Candidates for Orders connected with the Diocese of Albany.

The Society would urge upon the attention of the Convention the importance of a more general, liberal and systematic contribution to its funds, not only out of regard to the growing necessities of the Church, but in special view of the fact that its income has been seriously impaired by the failure and reduction of rents in consequence of the stringency of the times, so that it will be obliged to depend more largely than heretofore upon the free-will offerings of Christian people, if it is to maintain its efficiency as an auxiliary in the work of Christian Education.

The Superintendent would conclude his Report with the closing words of the last Report of the Bishop of Springfield, the late Superintendent, to the Diocese of New York:

"All contributions to the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning are appropriated with scrupulous fidelity to the object for which they are given, without the diminution of a single farthing. There are no salaries or commissions to absorb forty or fifty per cent of the offerings in their transit from the hand of the donor to the hand of the recipient.

Great care and judgment are exercised in the distribution of the



funds. The character and claims of all applicants for aid are thoroughly investigated before appropriations are made.

The administration of the Society is entirely free from all narrow, partisan considerations. No distinction is ever allowed to suggest itself in bestowing a scholarship other than that which is implied by the questions: Is the applicant deserving? does he really stand in need of the aid for which he asks?"

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ANDREW OLIVER,

*Superintendent of the Society for Promoting  
Religion and Learning in the State of New York.*

NEW YORK, Jan. 11th, 1879.

Statement of money received and disbursed by the Treasurer of the Diocese for Theological Education, for the year ending December 31, 1878.

1878. *Receipts.*

Jan. 1. Balance on hand.....	\$64 00
Messiah, Glens Falls.....	17 00
St. Luke's, Catskill.....	14 79
Christ, Cooperstown.....	10 25
Grace, Canton.....	5 30
St. Mark's, Hoosick Falls.....	10 00
Christ, Herkimer....	2 50
The Cathedral of All Saints.....	22 87
Zion, Fonda.....	2 00
St. John's, Troy.....	34 29
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	\$183 00
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*Disbursements.*

F. O. Jewell, Annandale.....	\$50 00
B. R. Kirkbride, Gen. Theological Seminary.....	10 00
Rev. W. C. Prout, for Mr. Studley.....	15 05
W. C. Sherman, Faribault .....	25 00
Rev. W. C. Prout, for Mr. Studley.....	25 00
W. C. Sherman, Faribault .....	20 00
Balance.....	37 95
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	\$183 00
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1879.

Jan. 1. By balance on hand .....	\$37 95
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*Alvan E. Marvin.*  
Treasurer.

The Committee appointed to receive the Reports of the Superintendent of the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, and the Diocesan Treasurer, most respectfully report, that they have examined the accounts and find the same correct, and herewith lay them before the Convention.

They would advise that all contributions to the cause of Theological Education be sent to the Society and relieve the Diocesan Treasurer of unnecessary work. It is so ordered by Canon, and it would be in every way more encouraging to the Society, if all the contributions of the Diocese went to its credit on their books.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. HOUGHTON,  
*For Committee.*

On motion of the Rev. J. H. Houghton, it was

*Resolved*, That all moneys intended to be distributed by the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, as ordered by Canon XIII for Theological Education, be sent directly to the Society, and not to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

The Report of the Committee on Non-reporting Clergy and Parishes was presented and read :

The Committee on Non-reporting Clergy and Parishes respectfully report that the following Clergy and Parishes are recorded in the Journal of the last Convention as having made no report :

The Rev. Robert Washbon.	The Rev. Chas. Fay, D. D.
Wm. R. Johnson.	R. Julius Adler.
H. R. Peters, D. D.	Walter Thompson.
W. S. Rowe.	Richard Harding.
J. Ireland Tucker, S.T. D.	Francis A. Shoup.
E. N. Potter, D. D.	Irving M. Elroy.
C. H. Lancaster.	Rob. E. Terry.
Joshua N. T. Goss.	W. H. N. Stewart, LL. D.
James Caird.	John. B. Tibbitts.
J. W. McIlwaine.	

A Total of nineteen, or about one-sixth of the whole number of Clergy canonically resident in the Diocese.

*Of Parishes :*

Trinity Church, Rensselaerville.	Grace Church, Waterford.
Christ Church, Hudson.	St. Paul's Chapel, Harrisena.
All Saints Chapel, Hudson.	St. James' Church, Caldwell.

St. John's Church, Essex.	St. Paul's Church, Greenwich.
Christ Church, Butternuts.	St. Mark's Church, Green Island.
Christ Church, West Burlington.	St. John's Church, Copake.
St. John's Church Massena.	Church of the Redeemer, North-
St. Luke's Church, Lisbon.	ampton.
St. Paul's Church, Charlton.	St. Mark's Church, Garrattsville.

In all seventeen out of the 104 Parishes of the Diocese, or one-sixth of the same.

The last four Parishes have failed to report for the last two consecutive years.

As the matter of these annual reports is regulated and ordered both by Canon of General Convention and of the Diocese, it appears to the Committee that the failure of so large a proportion to report betokens more or less of carelessness and negligence.

Where a Parish is vacant the duty, which ordinarily rests on the Rector or Clergyman in charge, devolves by a Canon on the Wardens.

It seems to your Committee that, before the publishing of the Journal, it ought to be made the duty of the Secretary to obtain from non-reporting Clergy and Parishes some explanation of their neglect of the Canon which requires "that every Minister, or if the Parish be vacant, the Wardens, shall present or cause to be delivered on or before the first day of every Annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese," such Parochial Reports. The Committee therefore offer the following resolution :

*Resolved,* That the Secretary of the Convention, before the publishing of the Convention Journal, ask of all Non-reporting Clergy and Parishes, their reason for not fulfilling the requirements of the Canon.

WM. M. OGDEN.

On motion, the Resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

On motion, the Rules of Order were suspended, to receive a Report.

The Report of the Committee on the Diocesan Fund and Mileage of the Clergy, was presented and read:

The Committee on the Diocesan Fund and Mileage of the Clergy have to report, that	
The receipts of the year past are.....	\$1,708 55
The balance on hand reported at last Convention.....	384 45
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Total.....	\$2,093 00
Disbursements for the year.....	1,651 02
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Leaving a balance in the Treasurer's hands of.....	<u>\$441 98</u>

There is due Mr. Chas. Van Benthuyzen & Sons the sum of, \$600 00. This the Treasurer expects to be able to cancel with the above balance on hand, and the proceeds of such payments as will undoubtedly be made.

The following necessary objects are to be provided for by this Convention, viz.:

For Mileage to Clergy in attendance at the present Convention, for which it is again deemed advisable to provide, the sum of.....	\$350 00
For the printing of the Convention Journal.....	450 00
For current expenses.....	200 00
Amounting to.....	<u>\$1,000 00</u>

To meet this amount, your Committee accept the recommendation of the Treasurer, and offer the following Resolution:

*Resolved*, That to meet the estimated expenses, as above stated, and the Bishop's travelling expenses, this Convention order an assessment of two and one-half per cent upon the salaries pledged the Clergymen by the Parishes and Mission Stations of the Diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

RUSSELL A. OLIN,  
J. N. MULFORD,  
GEORGE B. SMITH,  
*Committee.*

On motion, the Resolution appended to the Report was adopted.

The hour for the Annual Elections having arrived, the Rt. Rev. President appointed the Tellers.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE.

*Clerical Vote*: The Rev. R. G. Hamilton, and Mr. T. R. Wade.

*Lay Vote*: The Rev. Edwin Coan, and Mr. William L. Dubois.

#### DEPUTY TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

*Clerical Vote*: The Rev. W. B. Walker, and Dr. J. P. Wheeler.

*Lay Vote*: The Rev. W. M. Cook, and Mr. George B. Smith.

Nominations being in order, Mr. Henry R. Pierson was nominated by the Rev. Dr. Payne, for election as a member of the Standing Committee, in place of Mr. R. B. Monell, who declined a re-election; and Mr. Erastus Corning was nominated by the Rev. J. W. Stewart, for election as Deputy to the General Convention.

The Roll of the Clergy was called by the Secretary, and the Roll of the Lay Delegates by the Assistant Secretary.

Ballots were received for members of the Standing Committee and for one Deputy to General Convention.

The Rt. Rev. President announced that the polls were closed, and directed the Tellers to count the votes, for which purpose they had leave to retire.

On motion of the Rev. J. W. Stewart, the ballot was dispensed with, and Mr. Samuel Earl was elected a Deputy to the Federate Council.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Convention, and the Report of the Committee on the same, were presented and read:

DIOCESE OF ALBANY,  
TREASURER'S OFFICE,  
ALBANY, *December 31, A. D., 1878.* }

Herewith please find statement of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Diocesan Fund for the year ending this day:

Amount on hand as reported to the last Convention.....	\$384 45
Receipts for the year.....	1,708 55
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Total.....	\$2,093 00
Disbursements .....	1,651 02
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Balance on hand.....	\$441 98
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There is due Messrs. Charles Van Benthuyzen & Sons, the sum of \$600. With the above balance on hand and such further payments as will undoubtedly be made, I shall be in receipt of a sufficient sum to meet the above.

It will be necessary for the Convention to provide at this meeting for the following objects:

Mileage to Clergymen in attendance upon the present Convention  
For the printing of the Journal of the Convention.  
For the Current Expenses of the Diocese.

For the above purposes I suggest the following estimate of the sums that will be required:

For Mileage.....	\$350 00
Printing Journal.....	450 00
Current Expenses.....	200 00
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	\$1,000 00
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To meet the above I recommend that the Convention order an assessment of two (2) per centum upon the salary pledged the Clergymen by the Parishes and Mission Stations.

Very respectfully,

*Adam Marvin,*  
Treasurer.

The Tellers of the Clerical Vote, for one Deputy to the General Convention, reported :

Whole number of votes cast, 73 : necessary to a choice, 37. Mr. Erastus Corning received 66 ; Mr. H. R. Pierson, 4. Scattering 3.

WILLIAM BOBERT WALKER,  
JOHN P. WHEELER.

The Tellers of the Lay Vote, for one Deputy to the General Convention, reported :

Whole number of votes cast, 34 : necessary to a choice, 18. Mr. Erastus Corning received 31 ; Mr. H. R. Pierson, 3.

W. M. COOK,  
GEORGE B. SMITH.

The Rt. Rev. President declared duly elected a Deputy to the General Convention, Mr. Erastus Corning.

The Convention, on motion, took a recess until two o'clock in the afternoon.

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*Two o'clock in the afternoon.*

The Convention re-assembled.

The Rt. Rev. President took the Chair, and called the Convention to order.

The Tellers of the Clerical Vote for the Standing Committee reported :

Whole number of votes cast, 71 : necessary to a choice, 36. The Rev. Dr. Payne received 71 ; the Rev. Dr. Reese, 69 ; the Rev. Dr. Tucker, 69 ; the Rev. Dr. Bostwick, 70. Mr. O. Meads, received 70 ; Mr. T. A. Tillinghast, 71 ; Mr. R. Earl, 69 ; and Mr. H. R. Pierson, 70.

R. G. HAMILTON,  
T. R. WADE.

The Tellers of the Lay Vote for the Standing Committee reported :

Whole number of votes cast, 35: necessary to a choice, 18. The Rev. Drs. Payne, Reese, Tucker and Bostwick each received 34. Messrs. O. Meads, T. A. Tillinghast, R. Earl and H. R. Pierson, each received 34. There was one blank.

EDWIN COAN,  
WM. L. DuBOIS.

The Rt. Rev. President declared elected as the Standing Committee :

The Rev. WILLIAM PAYNE, D.D.,	Mr. ORLANDO MEADS,
The Rev. J. LIVINGSTON REESE, D.D.,	Mr. THOMAS A. TILLINGHAST,
The Rev. J. IRELAND TUCKER, S.T.D.,	Mr. ROBERT EARL,
The Rev. SAMUEL B. BOSTWICK, S.T.D.,	MR. HENRY R. PIERSON.

The appointment of Trustees being in order, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison, they were appointed by the Convention, as follows :

OF THE FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN.

Messrs. Orlando Meads, Joseph W. Fuller, Amasa J. Parker, Jr.

OF THE FUND FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

Messrs. John I. Thompson, John Hobart Warren, J. W. Tillinghast.

The Bishop appointed as Examining Chaplains: The Rev. J. Ireland Tucker, S.T.D., the Rev. J. D. Morrison, the Rev. Edward M. Pecke, the Rev. G. W. Dean, S.T.D., the Rev. James Haughton, the Rev. William N. Irish, the Rev. George L. Neide, the Rev. W. H. Cook, the Rev. William R. Woodbridge and the Rev. H. R. Howard, S.T.D.

On motion, it was

*Resolved*, To proceed to the election of a Provisional Deputy to the General Convention, to fill the vacancy caused by the election of Mr. Erastus Corning as a Deputy.

On motion of Mr. J. W. Tillinghast, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and Mr. Joseph W. Fuller was elected.

The Rev. Wm. M. Ogden offered the following Resolution, which was not adopted :

*Resolved*, That a Committee of eight be appointed, together with the Bishop, to report whether an amendment of the Constitution providing for a change in the time of the meeting of the Annual Convention be not advisable.



On Motion of Mr. H. R. Pierson, it was

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to make such settlements of the unpaid assessments against the Parishes for the debt upon the Bishop's House (which were authorized four years ago) as may be practicable, after conferring with the representatives of the Parishes. The amount of said debt is \$1,250, for which the Lay Members of the Board of Missions are liable.

A Memorial, from the Convocation of Troy, on the subject of Sunday School instruction, was presented and read by the Rev. R. A. Olin:

The undersigned members of a Committee appointed at the last meeting of the Troy Convocation, held in St. Paul's Church, Troy, Nov. 13th, A. D. 1878, to present to this Convention the condition and needs of our Sunday School instruction, with a view to enlisting the interest of this Body in the adoption of some more general and uniform plan, beg leave to report:

That, since the day when the public Sunday instruction of the children of the Church was limited chiefly to catechisings by the Rector, there have ensued in different parts of the Church various plans of Sunday School instruction of varying merit. Few of these plans have proceeded upon any mature and graded system; and in many Sunday Schools several different methods have been wholly or partially in use at the same time; and from lack of comprehensiveness and uniformity in these schemes of Sunday School instruction, it is believed that our Sunday School teaching has proceeded at a great disadvantage, and that the results have been far less gratifying than was to be wished, in the knowledge of the Holy Scriptures and of the Church.

The lack of general satisfaction with the different text books that have from time to time been used in Sunday School teaching, may be inferred from the fact that a presbyter of the Diocese of Central New York, having nine years since begun the publication of Sunday School leaflets, has at present orders to supply nearly 50,000 scholars, representing every Diocese of the American Church, and also of that in Canada, and comprising about 800 Sunday Schools.

And yet this statement by no means indicates the extent to which within the last few years leaflets have been substituted for the various text books previously in use in the Sunday Schools of the Church, both in the United States and in Canada. This will be seen from the following brief account:

About 8 years ago a movement for a uniform series of lesson leaflets was first proposed in the N. Y. S. S. Association; but for some time

after nothing was done. Meanwhile the Troy Sunday School Association published a series of "Lesson Guides" on the Collects, Epistles and Gospels, and also a second series on the Prayer Book, both of which were largely circulated in the vicinity. About two years ago the matter of a uniform series was again taken up by the Long Island S. S. Association which appointed a committee and invited the coöperation of Committees from New York and Philadelphia. Subsequently Massachusetts and Central New York were also represented in this movement. These Committees have, from time to time, agreed upon a uniform scheme of lessons, containing the topics, texts, selections of Scripture to be treated, and portions of the Catechism to be studied.

On these schemes, as a basis, three independent editions of leaflets are at present published viz.: that by the "Standard of the Cross," that edited by the Rev. Thos. E. Pattison of Syracuse, N. Y., and that by the Rev. Geo. W. Shinn, of Newton, Mass. These editions are chiefly distinguished by the different methods of treatment which they present and the suggestions and helps to teachers accompanying them. In several instances also Rectors are using their own methods of treatment.

Sunday School leaflets are also published in Ontario, Can., and used to some extent on this side of the line.

In the lack of any authorized means of publication at their disposal the joint Committees do not, we are informed, feel justified in attempting any thing more at present than the preparation of the Uniform Scheme. And yet it does not seem to us that the desired end in this movement has yet been attained.

A more difficult, but equally desirable part of such a plan of leaflet instruction, as it seems to us, our Sunday Schools need in the present day, would be the furnishing to teachers and scholars, at such cheap rates as a uniform movement by the Church would render possible, adequate helps in the way of exegetical, doctrinal, historical and other treatments of the lesson subjects.

And in saying this we would not underrate the excellence so far as they go, of such "Teachers' Helps" as are already offered in the different publications above referred to, and especially in a new periodical, entitled "The Church Sunday School Teacher's Weekly," published by the Church Sunday School Publishing Association, New York.

Herein is ample scope for the exercise of the Church's best scholarship and wisdom. And what greater incentive is needed to such a preparation than the reflection not only upon the power and duty of the Church to rightly instruct her "little ones," but also upon the fact that the Sunday School presents an organized system for pre-oc-

cupying the minds and hearts, and moulding the characters of her children with the saving influences of the truth thus prepared?

The leaflet plan recommends itself for adoption in Churches generally, 1st, by preparing the way for weekly catechising by the Rector or Superintendent as a general exercise in connection with class recitation ; 2ndly, by its comparative inexpensiveness ; and 3rdly, by providing for greater variety both of subject and treatment from year to year than would be secured by text books.

No plan, of course, can supplement the lack of the requisite qualities in Sunday School teachers ; but with these qualities, the best plan will work the best results. And since we are assured that the co-operation of any deputation from Albany representing the Diocese, would be most heartily welcomed by the associated Sunday School Committees above mentioned, we would suggest, with a view of the entire matter's possibly coming before our next General Convention, the appointment by this Convention of a Committee of one or more, to co-operate with the Committees from the several Dioceses above mentioned in the work of preparing a Uniform Scheme of Sunday School instruction, such Committee to continue, subject to the pleasure of this Convention.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

RUSSELL A. OLIN.  
G. W. DEAN.

The Rev. Mr. Olin offered the following Resolution, which, on motion of the Rev. J. W. Stewart, was laid upon the Table :

*Resolved*, That this Convention approve of the plan of a uniform Scheme of lesson leaflets as devised by the Diocesan Committees above mentioned, and appoint a Committee to consist of one clergyman to represent the Diocese in connection with said Committees.

The Bishop then delivered the remainder of his Annual Address (See pages 8 to 15, and 43 to 53, both inclusive.)

On motion of Mr. H. R. Pierson, it was unanimously

*Resolved*, That this Couvention has listened with profound pleasure to the Address of the Bishop of this Diocese ; and particularly to that part relating to the Lambeth Conference and the work of the Church as observed by him during his sojourn abroad : that we are glad he went ; grateful for his able and sagacious representation of his own Diocese and the Protestant Episcopal Church in America, we render him our hearty thanks, believing that he has not only done good to Churchmen everywhere, but to us ; and we welcome him back again as he is, full, fresh, free, better able to endure the labour, and more completely prepared for his work at home.

*Resolved*, That the Resolution be entered in full in the Minutes of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. J. D. Morrison, it was

*Resolved*, that the Secretary be instructed to print one thousand copies of the Bishop's Address, apart from the Journal, and to send them to the Clergy of the Diocese as early as possible.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to print twelve hundred and fifty copies of the Journal of the Convention, and distribute them to the various Parishes.

On motion of the Secretary, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be most cordially given to the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral, and to the Clergy and Churchmen of Albany, for the admirable provisions made for the Convention and its work; and for the hospitality most courteously dispensed to the members of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. J. H. Houghton, it was

*Resolved*, That the Clergy be recommended to append to their Parochial Reports the times of Service, of Holy Communion and Daily Prayers, and note any additional observances throughout the year.

On motion of the Rev. J. W. Stewart, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Convention be given to the Secretary for his labours and efficient performance of his duties, and for the very satisfactory and most economical Journal furnished to the Diocese last year.

A portion of the report of a Committee of the Board of Missions relating to a Plan for the reduction of stipends was read by the Chairman of the Committee, the Rev. J. D. Morrison :

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRANTS TO MISSION STATIONS.

At the January meeting of the Board of Missions, in the year 1878, a plan for the gradual reduction of the money grants to Mission Stations was proposed, and a Committee was appointed to consider the scheme, and report on it. This report was finally submitted to the Board of Missions, at its meeting just before the Convention, and was referred to that *body for action*.

In approaching a subject so important and so delicate, as that which has been submitted to the Committee, we believe that we should first state, what we conceive to be the object in view, when a Missionary grant is given by the Diocese to assist a struggling parish.

Is it not the hope of the Church, is it not the reasonable anticipation of those who give of their substance to foster Missionary enterprises, that the weak station will become strong, and will in time be changed from a dependent Mission, owing its very life to the generosity of others, into a self supporting parish, ready not only to care for itself, but to give generously to others?

The problem before the Church, therefore, whenever it founds a Mission, is how may this outpost be built up quickly and effectually, into a loyal, self-supporting parish. This result can best be accomplished by treating the Mission as the Child of the Church; caring for it tenderly, wisely, and firmly, and leading it on from strength to strength, but ever keeping before it the dignity and the responsibility of future manhood and independence.

Little by little, it is to learn to walk alone, and to provide for its necessities. If our theory be correct, it is absolutely necessary that a Mission should rid itself of the idea, which seems to obtain in many localities, that the Missionary grant is a perpetual annuity, which belongs to it of right. No parish, however wealthy, finds an annuity superfluous, or unacceptable, and we are tempted to believe that many weak parishes consider their grant to be of this nature, from the fact that, with some noble exceptions, the proposal for a reduction of the Missionary aid comes not from the Wardens of the Parish, but from the Board of Missions.

Now we are of the opinion that this feeling of comfortable dependence, this willingness to have part of their parish liabilities paid by Churchmen in other localities, prevents many a Mission from growing, financially, as rapidly as it ought.

The boy, who always expects his father to take care of him, will not possess that stimulus to exertion, which spurs on the lad, who knows that soon he must look the world in the face, and fight his way as best he may. This is true of our Missions also. Nor is the difficulty remedied by a vague warning that at some indefinite date, the aid now given to the parish must cease. The exhortation has little or no effect. The Mission will take its chances. For where there is any indefiniteness, with regard to a future contingency, man puts off preparation, even the preparation for death. What wonder, then, if the Missions pay little heed to the Board, when admonished that their stipends cannot always be forthcoming.

We also believe that it is unfair to a Mission, to give a grant for a number of years, and then, with a quarter's notice, take away part, or the whole of it.

It produces a feeling of irritation among the people who, not unfrequently, act as if an injury had been done them, when required unex-

pectedly to make up the part of the clergymen's salary, which had hitherto been paid by the Diocese; and they part with the Board, not gratefully and with evident desire to help others, as they themselves have been assisted, but with discontent, and, we fear, ingratitude.

The scheme, which the Committee proposes, is intended to change a Mission into a self-supporting parish, as speedily as possible, and to bind it closely in sympathy and affection with the rest of the Diocese. To accomplish this, it is believed that the Mission should be taught, from the beginning, to look forward to a certain date, when it will be left to its own resources.

And the Mission grant should be gradually diminished, year by year, by a certain fixed amount, which the Mission must steadily make good; until, little by little, it will assume the whole burden of its financial responsibilities.

We believe that there is no Mission worth preserving, to which this principle will not apply. For let it be remembered that all our Missions ought to have a hopeful outlook. If any are so moribund that there seems in them no promise of increased vitality; if they bid fair to be a burden on the Church forever, it is a serious question whether the stewards of the alms of the Church are justified in continuing the Church support in such localities. The field is great, the labourers are few, the resources are scant; and therefore the money of the Church must be expended where it will do the greatest amount of good. If it will not produce an independent, self-supporting parish in one place, it will in another. Many of these promising localities are unprovided to-day, for lack of means. Such places, where success and increased strength can reasonably be anticipated, ought first to be cared for, and Missions, which must perpetually prove a burden, should be left alone, until other localities are occupied. The Committee, therefore, recommend that in all existing Missions where it is practicable, and in those which may be established in the future, the following plan be adopted. The Treasurer of the Diocese, or the Board of Missions, shall, after consultation with the Vestry interested, agree, if the funds of the Diocese permit, to give a certain grant to the Mission to supplement its funds, and enable it to carry on its work. This grant shall be diminished each year, by a certain fixed sum, *proportioned in each case to the strength of the Mission*, and agreed upon when the contract is made between the Mission and the Diocese. It shall terminate at a certain date. The Mission shall furnish to the Treasurer of the Diocese satisfactory information that it has discharged its portion of the financial obligation; and when it neglects to do so the grant shall be withdrawn at once. We may illustrate the plan, by an



imaginary example. A Mission, we will suppose, desires the services of a clergyman, and can pay but \$400 towards his support. The Board of Missions offers to make up this sum, say, to \$800, and to help the Mission (we will suppose it a very poor one), for twenty years, with the understanding, that at the expiration of that interval, the Mission will become self-supporting. The people are asked, if they are willing to accept the terms of the Board; in other words, if they have faith enough in their cause, to trust it to grow at this very moderate rate. If so the agreement is made.

The first year the Board gives \$400 and the Mission \$400. The second year the Board reduces its grant one-twentieth, and gives \$380, the people making up the deficiency by giving \$420 instead of \$400.

The next year a similar increase in their obligation is made, until gradually they have assumed all their burdens.

Some Missions would not need so long a period of nursing, others might not be able to grow as rapidly as the case we have used for illustration. But in every instance let the Mission be required to do *something, and to keep advancing towards independence, however slow the pace may be.* If the Mission refuses to pay its share of the clergyman's salary, and if the requisite vouchers to that effect are not forthcoming, the Committee suggests, that the Bishop, either personally, or by deputy, should look into the case, and judge whether it be owing to some unavoidable cause, such as financial distress in the community, or death, or emigration; in which event the Board might excuse the Mission from the performance of the stipulated monetary engagement, and make a new and more favorable contract with it. If, however, the Mission should fail to perform its part of the contract, from dissatisfaction with the clergyman, etc., the Mission grant should be withdrawn, if, in the opinion of the Bishop, the Parish is at fault.

It will be evident, that if this plan with regard to Missions is to be carried out, a sum must be fixed, which shall be the minimum salary of a Missionary. It is suggested that this sum shall be \$800. And the grant to a Mission should be such a sum as shall make up the salary raised there for clerical support to that figure. It may also be remarked, that, in the opinion of the Committee, an opinion endorsed by one of the Convocations already, the salaries of Missionaries should be *graded*, so that *long and efficient service shall be rewarded by an increase of the minimum stipend* to \$900 or \$1,000.

For the execution of these propositions the following suggestions are offered.

1st, That all grants shall hereafter be made to a Mission for a fixed number of years. 2d. That a Committee, or Committees shall be appointed to consult with the Wardens or Trustees in each Mission, and



to ascertain what sum they can now give towards the support of their clergyman, and by what sum they can increase this year by year. This shall be reported to the Board of Missions, and, if in their judgment it be expedient, they shall authorize the Committee, or the Treasurer, to make a contract with the Mission, to supplement the clergyman's salary, with a grant sufficient to make it up to \$800, with the proviso that the grant shall, year by year, be diminished, by the sum which the parish promises to add annually to its present contribution.

The Committee to visit the Missions, or correspond with the authorities therein, must play an important part in the efficient carrying out of this scheme. It is believed, that as it is a matter of finance, where the laymen of each Mission are the parties to be dealt with, a lay Committee will best accomplish the desired end.

The Lay Member of the Board of Missions, and the Treasurer of each Convocation are suggested as the Committee.

J. D. MORRISON,  
*Chairman.*

On motion of the Rev. J. W. Stewart, it was

*Resolved*, That this Report be referred to the Board of Missions for their consideration, and to report to the next Convention such action as they shall deem advisable.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Payne, it was

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be directed to print in the Appendix to the Journal a table of the sums which have been contributed by the different Parishes to the Fund for the Endowment of the Episcopate.

On motion of the Rev. J. W. Stewart, it was

*Resolved*, That, after the reading of the Minutes and the customary devotions, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Minutes of this day's proceedings were read and approved.

The Bishop briefly addressed the Convention.

The 45th Hymn was sung ; Prayers were said by the Rev. Dr. Harrison, and the Bishop pronounced the Benediction.

The Convention adjourned *sine die*.

*Wm. Coswell O'ane*

*Bishop of Albany and President of the Convention.*

*M. Pecke*

*Secretary.*



# APPENDIX.

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(A.)

## LIST OF CLERGY IN THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY.

JANUARY 13, A. D. 1879.

SAMUEL B. BOSTWICK, S. T. D. Sandy Hill, Washington county.

JOSEPH CAREY, S. T. D., Rector, Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, Saratoga county.

EDGAR T. CHAPMAN, Rector, Church of the Messiah, Greenbush, Rensselaer county; Canon and Treasurer, Cathedral of All Saints.

WILLIAM H. COOK, Missionary, Church of the Cross, Ticonderoga, Essex county.

ALBERT DANKER, Ph. D., Rector, Emmanuel Church, Little Falls, Herkimer county.

GEORGE FISHER, Rector, Church of St. John the Evangelist, Stockport, Columbia county.

BYRON J. HALL, Rector, Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer county.

WILLIAM R. JOHNSON.

JOSEPH N. MULFORD, Rector, Christ Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.

GEORGE L. NEIDE, Rector, Christ Church, Duanesburgh, Schenectady county.

GEORGE H. NICHOLLS, Rector, St. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county.

WILLIAM M. OGDEN, Rector, Church of the Holy Cross, Warrensburgh, and Missionary, Warren county.

WILLIAM PAYNE, D. D., Rector, St. George's Church, Schenectady, Schenectady county.

HEWLETT R. PETERS, D. D.

EDWARD PIDSLEY.

J. LIVINGSTON REESE, D. D., Rector, St. Paul's Church, Albany, Albany county.

WILLIAM A. RICH, Missionary, Cranberry Lake, St. Lawrence county.

WILLIAM S. ROWE.

EDWIN B. RUSSELL, Rector, St. John's Church, Delhi, Delaware county.

DAVID L. SCHWARTZ, Rector, Grace Church, Albany, Albany county.

EDWARD SELKIRK, Rector, Trinity Church, Albany, Albany county.

JOHN IRELAND TUCKER, S. T. D., Pastor, Church of the Holy Cross, and Principal of the Warren Free Institute, Troy, Rensselaer county.

ROBERT WASHBON, Rector, Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, and Missionary, Berne and Westerlo, Albany county.

ROBERT WEEKS, Rector, St. Luke's Church, Catskill, Greene county.

JAMES WILKINS STEWART, Rector, Trinity Church, Athens, and Missionary, Greene county.

ALFRED HOUGHTON STUBBS, Rector, St. John's Church, Stillwater, St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville, and Missionary, Saratoga county.

E. N. POTTER, D. D., President of Union College, Schenectady, Schenectady county.

WILLIAM BOGERT WALKER, Rector Christ Church, Herkimer, Herkimer county.

CHARLES H. LANCASTER, Rector, St. James' Church, Caldwell and Missionary to Bolton and French Mountain, Warren county.

HENRY H. OBERLY, Rector, Trinity Church, West Troy, Albany county.

FENWICK M. COOKSON, Rector St. James' Church, Fort Edward, Washington county.

J. HUTCHINGS BROWN, Chaplain U. S. N., Naval Hospital, New York.

JAMES E. HALL, Rector, Trinity Church, Whitehall, Washington county.

WILLIAM C. PROUT, Priest in charge of St. Paul's Free Chapel, Troy, Rensselaer county.

JOSHUA N. T. GOSS, Rector, St. John's Church, Massena, and Missionary, St. James' Church, Hogansburgh, All Saints Church, Barnhart's Island, Grace Church, Louisville Landing, Helena and Long Sault Island, St. Lawrence county.

JAMES CAIRD, Rector, Free Church of the Ascension, Troy, Rensselaer county.

J. D. MORRISON, Rector, St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, St. Lawrence county.

HENRY R. HOWARD, S. T. D., Rector, Trinity Church, Potsdam, St. Lawrence county, and Head of the St. Lawrence County Associate Mission.

J. W. McILWAINE, Chaplain, Clinton Prison, Dannemora, Clinton county.

REGINALD H. BARNES, Rector, Calvary Church, Burnt Hills, Saratoga county.

WALKER GWYNNE, Rector, St. John's Church, Cohoes, Albany county.

ERASTUS WEBSTER, Missionary, St. Paul's Church, Oakhill, Greene county.

HENRY C. HUTCHINGS, Missionary, Trinity Church, Windham (in Ashland), and Grace Church, Prattsville, Greene county.

HOBART COOKE, Rector, Zion Church, Morris, Otsego county.

WILLIAM R. WOODBRIDGE, Rector, Christ Church, Port Henry, and Missionary, Emmanuel Mission, Mineville, Essex county.

EDWARD F. BAKER, Rector, St. Paul's Church, East Springfield, and Missionary, Otsego county.

JOHN B. PITMAN, Rector, St. Mark's Church, Malone, Franklin county.

JOHN H. HOUGHTON, Rector, St. Paul's Church, Salem, and Missionary, Washington county.

EDWARD M. PECKE, Rector, St. Augustine's Church, Ilion, and Missionary, Herkimer county.

RUSSELL A. OLIN, Rector, Church of the Messiah, Glens Falls, and Missionary, Warren county.

SAMUEL E. SMITH, Rector, Church of the Holy Innocents, Albany, Albany county.

FRANCIS HARISON, S. T. D., Rector, St. Paul's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.

ROBERT T. S. LOWELL, D. D., Professor of Latin Language and Literature, Union College, Schenectady, Schenectady county.

WILLIAM CHARLES GRUBBE, Rector, St. Paul's Church, Franklin, Delaware county, Immanuel Church, Otego, and Missionary, Otsego county.

WALTER DELAFIELD, Rector, Christ Church, Ballston Spa, Saratoga county.

WALTON W. BATTERSHALL, D. D., Rector, St. Peter's Church, Albany, Albany county.

THEODORE A. SNYDER, Missionary, St. Timothy's Church, Westford, St. John's Church, Portlandville, Otsego county.

MOSES E. WILSON, Rector, St. Luke's Church, Clermont, and Missionary, Columbia county.

JOSEPH HOOPER, Missionary, Church of Our Saviour, Lebanon Springs, and Chatham Centre, Columbia county.

R. JULIUS ADLER, Rector, St. Mark's Church, Green Island, Albany county.

HENRY M. SMYTH, Rector, Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, and Missionary, St. John's Church, Salmon River, Clinton county.

T. G. CLEMSON, Rector, St. Paul's Church, Waddington, and Missionary, St. Lawrence county.

WALTER THOMPSON, Rector, Grace Church, Waterford, Saratoga county.

JOHN H. ROGERS, Rector, Christ Church, Schenectady, Schenectady county.

JOHN B. COLHOUN, Oneonta, Otsego county.

GEORGE W. DEAN, S. T. D., Rector, St. Stephen's Church, Schuylerville, and Missionary, Saratoga county.

RICHARD HARDING.

CHARLES C. EDMUNDS, Rector, St. John's Church, Johnstown, Fulton county.

IRVING McELROY, Rector, Christ Church, Rouses Point, St. John's Church, Champlain, and Missionary, Clinton county.

ROBERT G. HAMILTON, Rector, Trinity Church, Schaghticoke (Hart's Falls), and Missionary, Rensselaer county.

WILLIAM MASON COOK, S. T. B., Rector, St. Peter's Church, Brush's Mills, and Missionary, St. Thomas' Church, Lawrenceville, St. Lawrence county, St. Mark's Church, West Bangor, Franklin county.

**RICHARD TEMPLE**, Rector, Free Church of the Epiphany, Greenbush, Rensselaer county.

**ROBERT E. TERRY**, Rector, Christ Church, Hudson, and in charge of All Saints' Chapel, Hudson, Columbia county.

**EDWIN COAN**, Canon and Precentor, Cathedral of All Saints, Chaplain of St. Agnes School, Albany, Albany county.

**JAMES R. L. NISBETT**, Rector, Grace Church, Norfolk, St. Lawrence county.

**FREDERIC O. GRANNISS**, Assistant Minister, St. Paul's Church, Albany, Albany county.

**WILLIAM N. IRISH**, Rector, St. Ann's Church, Amsterdam, Montgomery county.

**WILLIAM H. N. STEWART**, LL. D.

**JAMES HAUGHTON**, Canon, Dean of the Cathedral of All Saints, Albany, Albany county.

**WILLIAM W. LORD**, D. D., Rector, Christ Church, Cooperstown, Otsego county.

**J. WILLIAM PAIGE**, Missionary, Trinity Church, Sharon Springs, Schoharie county.

**FRANK L. NORTON**, Rector, St. John's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.

**CHARLES S. OLMSTED**, Missionary, Trinity Chapel, Morley, St. Lawrence county.

**REEVE HOBBIE**, Rector, Grace Church, Cherry Valley, Otsego county.

**CHARLES H. VANDYNE**, Missionary, Zion Church, Fonda, Church of the Good Shepherd, Canajoharie, and Church of the Holy Cross, Fort Plain, Montgomery county.

**ERNEST A. HARTMAN**, Assistant Minister, Zion Church, Morris, Christ Church, Butternuts, and Christ Church, West Burlington, Otsego county.

**WILLIAM H. PHILLIPS**, Rector, Christ Church, Morristown, and Missionary, Hammond, St. Lawrence county.

**WILLIAM M. PICKSLAY**, Missionary, Trinity Church, Granville, Washington county.

**RICHARD C. SEARING**, Rector, Christ Church, Walton, and Missionary, Christ Church, Deposit, Delaware county.

**ROBERT GRANGER**, Geneva, Switzerland.

**JOHN T. PEARCE**, Rector, Grace Church, Canton, St. Lawrence county.

**CHARLES T. WHITTEMORE**, Rector, Zion Church, Sandy Hill, Washington county.

**CHARLES S. KNAPP**, Missionary, Church of St. John in the Wilderness, St. Regis Lake, Church of St. Luke, the Beloved Physician, Saranac Lake, Franklin county.

**GEORGE C. GRISWOLD**, Assistant Minister, St. John's Church, Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence county.

**AUGUSTUS PRIME**, Missionary, Warren county.

**EUGENE L. TOY**, Missionary, St. John's Church, Essex, Lewis and Elizabethtown, Essex county.

**SAMUEL HANSON COXE**, D. D., Rector, St. Paul's Church, Kinderhook, Columbia county.

CHARLES C. FISKE, Rector, St. John's Church, Richfield Springs, Otsego county.

F. B. CROZIER, Missionary, Calvary Church, Cairo, Greene county.

JOHN TOWNSEND.

JAMES B. WASSON, Rector, St. Luke's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.

CHARLES A. BRAGDON, Missionary, St. James' Church, Ausable Forks, St. Paul's Church, Keeseville, Essex county.

GEORGE F. BREED, Assistant Minister, St. John's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.

LEWIS F. MORRIS, Missionary, Trinity Church, Fairfield, Grace Church, Norway, Memorial Church, Middleville, Herkimer county.

BENJAMIN T. HALL, Rector, St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Delaware county.

JOSEPH B. TREVETT, Rector, St. Luke's Church, Cambridge, Washington county.

HENRY T. LESLIE, Assistant Minister, St. Paul's Church, Troy, Rensselaer county.

THOMAS B. FULCHER, Assistant Minister, Christ Church, Hudson, and Missionary, St. John's Church, Copake, Columbia county.

#### DEACONS.

JOHN B. TIBBITTS, Officiating, St. Mary's Church, Hoosick, Rensselaer county.

ALEXANDER McMILLAN, JR., General Theological Seminary, New York,

NEWTON DEXTER, Officiating Minister, Christ Church, Coxsackie, Greene county; Canon Cathedral of All Saints.

WILLIAM B. REYNOLDS, Assistant Minister, Church of St. John the Evangelist, Stockport, Columbia county.

JOHN D. SKENE, Assistant Minister, St. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer county.

CHARLES EDWARD CRAGG, Assistant Minister, Christ Church, Port Henry, Essex County.

SCOTT B. RATHBUN, General Theological Seminary, New York.

BRADFORD R. KIRKBRIDE, General Theological Seminary, New York.

I hereby certify the above list to be a correct list of the Clergy resident in the Diocese of Albany.

  
Bishop of Albany.

January 13th, A. D. 1879.



(B.)  
**PAROCHIAL REPORTS.**  
**Albany County.**

**THE CATHEDRAL OF ALL SAINTS, ALBANY, N. Y.**

**CHAPTER.**

**Dean.** The Rev. James Haughton.

**Precentor.** The Rev. Edwin Coan.

**Treasurer.** The Rev. Edgar T. Chapman.

**Vice-Chancellor.** Orlando Meads.

**Assistant Treasurer.** Selden E. Marvin.

**Erastus Corning, Thos. Hun, M. D., A. Bleecker Banks, George Evans.**

**Lay Readers.** S. S. Fine, Jas. M. Hawley.

*Parochial.*

Families, 124; Individuals (Adults 319, Children 195), 514; Baptisms (Adults 7, Infants 32), 39; Confirmed, 50; Marriages, 4; Burials, 17; Communicants, last reported, 233, present number recorded, 248, with teachers and pupils of St. Agnes School, 96; Public Services (Sundays, 162, Holy Days, 54, other days, 786), 1,002; Holy Communion, public, 155; Sunday School, teachers, 19, pupils, 120; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday; Choir School, pupils, 20; St. Agnes School, teachers, 29, pupils, 211.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$235.11; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$8,880.06; Sunday School, \$129.16. Total, \$9,244.33.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$962.41; Salary of the Bishop, \$150; Diocesan Fund, \$75; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$24.52; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$5; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$21; The Child's Hospital, \$237.61; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$22.87; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$104.39. Total, \$1,616.80.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$65.70; Foreign Missions, \$148.44; Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$239.50. Total, \$453.64.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$11,145.60.

**Indebtedness.**—\$7,000; Amount of Salary Pledged Dean, \$2,500; Amount of Salary Pledged Precentor, \$1,800.

Number of Sitzings in the Chapel, 800.

Number Free, all.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ALBANY.

Rector. The Rev. Walton W. Battershall, D. D.

Warden. Harmon Pumpelly.

Vestrymen. James Kidd, Henry R. Pierson, George S. Weaver, John S. Perry, Joseph W. Tillinghast, Albert C. Judson, Henry T. Martin.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 11, Infants, 14), 25; Confirmed, 31; Marriages, 6; Burials, 17; Communicants, last reported, 402, admitted, 31, received, 20, died, 8, removed, 11, present number recorded, 434; Public Services (Sundays, 106, Holy Days, 34, other days, 208), 348; Holy Communion (public, 46, private, 8), 54; Sunday School, teachers, 38, pupils, 282; Catechizing, number of children, 282, number of times, Monthly; Parish School, teachers, 6, pupils, 23.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$825.48; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$11,566.91; Sunday School, \$210.00; St. Peter's Orphan's Home, \$1,547.51; For Debt on Parish House, \$575; St. Peter's Industrial Society, \$492; Christmas Decoration and Tree, \$280; Gift to Clergy, \$425. Total, \$15,921.90.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$857.32; Salary of the Bishop, \$150; Diocesan Fund, \$120; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$27.53; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$30; The Child's Hospital, \$25.79; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$52. Total, \$1,262.64.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$392.34; Foreign Missions, \$113.39; Indian Missions, \$183.65; Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$608.85; Seabury Divinity School, \$100; Mission to the Jews, \$41.57; Other Objects, \$112.59. Total, \$1,552.89.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$18,736.93.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$190,000; Parsonage and Lot (freehold lease), \$12,000; Other Property, parish house, \$30,000, St. Peter's Orphan's Home, \$12,000. Total, \$244,000, Condition of Property, Good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$4,000; Amount of Salary Pledged Assistant Minister, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church and Chapel, 1,250.

TRINITY CHURCH, RENSSELAERVILLE.

Rector. The Rev. Robert Washbon.

Wardens. James G. Jarvis, Franklin Frisbee.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, Infants, 4; Marriages, 2.

*Offerings.*

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$9.50; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$15.50.

*Remarks.*

Our Church has been repaired at an expense of about \$700.

The services at St. James', Westerlo, have been maintained by Evening Prayer and Sermon on all Sundays till 1st of December.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ALBANY.

Rector. The Rev. J. Livingston Reese, D. D.

Assistant. The Rev. Frederic O. Granniss.

Wardens. J. H. Van Antwerp, Jos. Osborne.

Vestrymen. Wm. Lacy, Matthew W. Bender, A. P. Palmer, L. Bew, Wm. H. Hill, John Woodward, Garrett Van Alen, H. E. Sickels.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 14, Infants, 50), 64; Confirmed, 40; Marriages, 15; Burials, 34; Communicants, last reported, 520, admitted, 38, received, 30, died, 12, removed, 36, present number recorded, 540; Sunday School, teachers, 90, pupils, 672.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion and Offerings for the Poor, \$620; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$7,805.40; Offerings of Sunday School, \$485; Offerings for School, \$310; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,640; For Support of Free Mission Chapel, \$1,812.28; Other Parochial Objects, \$1,125.22. Total, \$13,797.90.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$200.39; Salary of the Bishop, \$100; Diocesan Fund, \$87.50; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$19.28; The Child's Hospital, \$22.12; Education of Theological Students, \$101; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$350. Total, \$880.29.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$202.54; Foreign Missions, \$301.47; Indian Missions, \$37; Church Missions for Deaf Mutes, \$45.42; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$275.25. Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$152; Total, \$1,063.68.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$15,741.87.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, COHOES.

Rector. The Rev. Walker Gwynne.

Wardens. Wm. N. Chadwick, Wm. E. Thorn.

Vestrymen, Murray Hubbard, Wm. S. Smith, Geo. Campbell, Joseph Chadwick, Michael Andrae, Samuel Horrocks, Robert Weir, Reuben Lee.

*Parochial.*

Families, 370; Individuals (Adults, 850, Children, 550), 1,400; Baptisms (Adults, 7, Infants, 48), 55; Confirmed, 33; Marriages, 12; Burials, 24; Churchings, 4; Communicants, last reported, 419; admitted, 44, received, 18, died, 16, removed, 10; present number recorded, 465; Public Services (Sundays, 157, Holy Days, 18, Other Days, 450), 625; Holy Communion (Public, 63, Private, 14), 77; Sunday School, teachers, 33, pupils, 400; Catechizing, number of children, 400, number of times, 52.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$100.18; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$4,323.67; Sunday School, \$220; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$263.20; Other Parochial Objects: Sundries, \$87.23, German Services, \$10.50. Total, \$5,004.78.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$210.25; Salary of the Bishop, \$56; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$5; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$11.54; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$16; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese: Theological Education, \$5.50. Total, \$304.29.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$14.35; Foreign Missions, \$10; Indian Missions, \$8.65; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$8.33; Church in Mexico, \$7; Deaf Mute Mission, \$1; Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$30. Total, \$79.33.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$5,388.40.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated, worth), \$40,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$10,000.

Condition of Property, Very Good.

Indebtedness.—Mortgage, \$15,000.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church and Chapel, 900.

Number Free, 900.

*Remarks.*

In addition to the above, two boxes of Clothing have been sent to Missionaries, and about eighty pairs of winter stockings to the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour. Value, about \$125.

TRINITY CHURCH, WEST TROY.

Rector. The Rev. H. H. Oberly.

Wardens. Peter V. Hagner and William Hollands.

Vestrymen. Thomas Rath, John H. Hulsapple, Silas Betts, William Doring, Benj. D. Judson, Joseph McQuide, Francis A. Witbeck, Alfred Spitzli.

*Parochial.*

Families, 203; Individuals (Adults, 420, Children, 353), 773; Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 40), 45; Confirmed, 22; Marriages, 6; Burials, 15; Communicants, last reported, 222, admitted, 19, received, 23, died, 6, removed, 25, present number recorded, 233; Public Services (Sundays, 321, Holy Days, 93, other days, 156), 570\*; Holy Communion (public, 48, private, 3), 51†; Sunday School, teachers and officers, 44, pupils, 254; Catechizing, every Sunday; the children are gathered in three schools, as follows: At the Church, 100, at St. Gabriel's, 112, at St. Andrews, 42.

\* Of these Services 324 were held in the Parish Church, 122 in St. Gabriel's Chapel and 124 in St. Andrew's Mission. Of the whole number 382 were held by the Rector, and 188 by other Clergy and the Lay Readers.

† 15 of these Celebrations were in St. Gabriel's Chapel. ¶

*Parochial Reports.**Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$153.33; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,807.63; For the Sunday Schools, \$128.40; By the Sunday Schools, \$176.45; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$638.82; Other Parochial Objects, \$79.88; Mortgages on Church Property, \$262.93. Total, \$4,247.44.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions (\$16.77 from Sunday Schools), \$83.53; Salary of the Bishop, \$32.00; Diocesan Fund, \$24.00; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$9.62; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10.00; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$7.00; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$12.30; The Child's Hospital (from the Sunday Schools), \$11.50; Candidates for the Ministry, \$10.96; Debt on the Bishop's House, \$31.70. Total, \$232.61.

General.—Berkeley Divinity School, \$5.00; Domestic Missions, \$21.81; Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$38.25. Total, \$65.06.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$4,545.11.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$20,000.00; Parsonage and Lot, \$8,000.00; St. Gabriel's Chapel and Lot, \$2,300.00; Other Property, \$2,000.00. Total, \$32,300.00. Condition of Property, Good.

Indebtedness, \$1,737.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, about 400, rented and free; Number of Sitzings in the Chapel, about 150, free; Number of Sitzings in the Mission, about 100, free.

*Remarks.*

St. Gabriel's Chapel is a mile south of the Church, and St. Andrew's Mission Room is a mile north. The work at both points is satisfactory. The Guild of St. Agnes (a society of ladies of the parish), has done much during the year to improve the interior of the Church. The Guild gave a new carpet, replaced the old windows with new ones of rich stained glass, and had the walls painted in distemper, introducing some color. The Senior Warden gave a corona for the baptistery. The Guild of the Holy Trinity (a society of men) gave a new bible and a sum of money.

The Rector is glad to be able to say that his brethren in the ministry are more willing than ever to help him in his mission work; and he takes this way of acknowledging their kindness.

## TRINITY CHURCH, ALBANY.

Rector. The Rev. Edward Selkirk.

Wardens. George Cummings, Wm. Little.

Vestrymen. John A. Howe, Wm. Grey, John Pritchard, James Bell, Richard Norris, A. J. Yale, G. F. Granger, C. E. Fairchild.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 100; Individuals, (Adults, 300, Children, 225), 525; Baptism

(Adults, 3, Infants, 14), 17; Confirmed, 13; Marriages, 25; Burials, 11; Communicants, last reported, 175, admitted, 16, received, 2, died, 4, removed and stricken off, 12, present number recorded, 177; actually communicating, say 150; Public Services, (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 7, other days, 40), 151; Holy Communion (public, 13, private, 2), 15; Sunday School, teachers and librarian, 24, pupils, 150; Catechizing: Each Sunday, as Superintendent, I catechise all the children present.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$22.70; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$524.72; Sunday School, \$50; Other Parochial Objects: A New Organ, valued at \$1,500. Total, \$2,097.42.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$14.76; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Diocesan Fund, \$10; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.32; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$4.75; The Child's Hospital, \$7. Total, \$58.83.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,156.25.

GRACE CHURCH, ALBANY.

Rector. The Rev. D. L. Schwartz.

Wardens. Charles W. White and John Jones.

Vestrymen. Francis Freckelton, B. F. Hinman, William Clerk, James Kirtland, Thomas Penny, Ambrose Pettefer, George Berlin Longleway, Chambers Brown.

*Parochial.*

Families, 240: Baptisms (Adults 5, Infants 51), 56; Confirmed, 18; Marriages, 12; Burials, 29; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 227, admitted, 4, received, 18, died, 9, removed, 18, present number recorded, 223; Public Services (Sundays, 2; Holy Days, 1); Holy Communion, public, once a month, twice during Lent, and on every high festival, private, 8; Sunday School, teachers, 34, pupils, 227; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,300; Sunday School, \$200. Total, \$2,500.00.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$10.23; Salary of the Bishop, \$24; Diocesan Fund, \$20; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4. Total, \$58.23.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$5.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,563.23.

Sittings, free.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, ALBANY.

Rector. The Rev. Samuel E. Smith.

Wardens. William Mason, Samuel M. Vansantvoord.

Vestrymen. Joshua Rathbun, Wm. J. Dickson, Jr., Caleb Palmer, Samuel Rork, George H. Birchall, O. D. Ball, M. D., Levi L. Derby, Thomas Wills,

*Parochial.*

Families, 68; Baptisms (Adults 2, Infants 10), 12; Confirmed, 10; Marriages, 2; Burials, 9; Communicants, last reported, 171, admitted, 10, received, 2, died, 2, removed, 6, present number recorded, 175; actually communicating, perhaps, 125; Public Services (Sundays, 98, Holy Days, 9, other days, 44), 151; Holy Communion (public, 15, private, 11), 26; Sunday School, teachers, 17, pupils, 140; Catechizing, number of children, 140, number of times, 18.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$59.87; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,769.95; Sunday School, \$201.24. Total, \$3,031.06.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$50; Diocesan Fund, \$54; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$7; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$15; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$16; the Child's Hospital, \$32; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$6.75. Total, \$180.75.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$9; Foreign Missions, \$4.50; Indian Missions, \$60; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: for Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$38.72. Total, \$112.22.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,324.03.

*Property.*

Condition of property, good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300, all free.

*Remarks.*

The financial distress has had a depressing influence upon this, as upon all other parishes; and at the date of this report, (December 31, 1878), the outlook for the next twelve months is not as cheerful as we want to see. We have much reason, however, to "thank God and take courage." Our people, for the most part, are working people, depending upon their daily labor for their maintenance, many of whom have been out of work for much of the year. Notwithstanding this, they have been very liberal in their contributions; indeed, few parishes like ours have done so well in giving of their means for the support of the Gospel.

**Clinton County.****TRINITY CHURCH, PLATTSBURGH.**

Rector. The Rev. Henry Mason Smyth.

Wardens. Frederick L. C. Saily, Joseph R. Emerson.

Vestrymen. Peter S. Palmer, Bernard Young, Geo. F. Nichols, William S. Ketchum, William J. McCaffrey, Albert M. Warren, John M. Wever, C. Fred. Norton.

*Parochial.*

Families, 125; Individuals (Adults, 340, Children, 120), 460; Baptisms (Adults,



7, Infants, 18), 25; Confirmed, 12; Marriages, 13; Burials, 18; Communicants, last reported, 286, admitted, 9, received, 3, died, 5, removed, 43, present number recorded, 250; Public Services (Sundays, Morning and Evening, Holy Days Morning, other days, Wednesdays, A. M., Fridays, A. M. and P. M.); Holy Communion (public, 20, private, 12), 32; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 75; Catechising, number of times, every Sunday.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$31.60; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,921.50; Sunday School, \$87.05; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$378.94; Other Parochial objects, \$37.40; Old Debts, \$604.92. Total, \$3,061.41.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$40.72; Salary of the Bishop, \$50; Diocesan Fund, \$36; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.97; the Child's Hospital, \$9.84; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese: Convocation of Ogdensburgh, \$50.25; Education of Theological Students, \$6. Total, \$195.78.

General.—Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$6; Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$21.21; Society for promoting Christianity among Jews, \$4.26. Total, \$31.47. Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,288.66.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$25,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000; condition of property, good.

Indebtedness, \$300.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church 600, all free.

#### *Remarks.*

During the year I have been able to hold regular services in the Chapel at Salmon River, five miles distant, in the afternoon of every Sunday, except the first Sunday of each month; also, occasional week day services in a school-house on Rand Hill, twelve miles distant.

### CHRIST CHURCH, ROUSE'S POINT.

Rector. The Rev. Irving McElroy.

Wardens. David White, John Phillips.

Vestrymen. John Thompson, Henry Bissell, Thomas Crook, George Standage, James Shaw, Jr.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 80; Individuals (Adults, 221, Children, 87), 308; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 2), 3; Confirmed, 7; Marriages, 7; Burials, 6; Communicants, last reported, 99, admitted, 12, received, 14, died, 2, present number recorded, 123, actually communicating, 75; Public Services (Sundays, 95, Holy Days, 11, other

days, 31), 137; Holy Communion (public, 25, private, 2), 27; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 65; Catechising, Number of children, 51, number of times, 12.

### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$53.09; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$609.00; Sunday School, \$58.92; Other Parochial Objects, \$209.77; Ladies aid for Mortgage on Church, \$175.94; Local Mission Work, \$27.66. Total \$1,134.38.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$30.50; Salary of the Bishop, \$8.00; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.35; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$9.15; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$4.35. Total, \$54.35.

General.—Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$10.00. Total, \$10.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,198.73.

### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,500; Other Property, \$800. Condition of Property, fair.

Indebtedness. — Mortgage on Church, \$600.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; number rented, two thirds; number free, one third.

### *Remarks.*

I entered upon the Rectorship of this parish, and became Priest in charge of the Clinton County Associate Mission, Feb. 1, 1878; and I found the state of the Missions to be as reported by the Bishop in his Address of last year. But in the parish matters are brighter. Still we have had an addition of 27 families to the parish, have added 24 communicants to our list; the income from pew rents has been larger than ever before; the congregations are large, averaging nearly 250, and the class of men who so seldom attend Church is largely represented. We had a debt of \$800, which has already been reduced by the payment of \$200, and the interest of which has been promptly met. Notwithstanding the hard times, the Vestry readily added another \$100 to the \$300 they had promised me on my coming here. While the Missions remain as reported, or go slowly to decay, through the removal of the American, and the income of the French Canadian element, Christ Church is slowly but surely gaining ground, and becoming a power for good in this portion of the State.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CHAMPLAIN.

Rector. Rev. Irving McElroy.

Wardens. David Finley, S. Alonzo Kellogg.

Vestrymen. James Averill, Jr., George Burroughs, Henry Durham. James Forbes, J. Goulding Smith.

*Parochial.*

Families, 30; Individuals (Adults, 69, Children, 36), 105; Baptisms, Infants, 2; Communicants, last reported, 37, received, 2, present number recorded, 39, actually communicating, 15; Public Services (Sundays, 42, Holy Days, 10, other days, 19), 71; Holy Communion, (public, 14, private, 4), 18; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 20; Catechizing, number of children, 20, number of times, 5.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$25.49; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$127.50; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$76.52; Other Parochial Objects: Church Debt, (Ladies Aid, \$71.50, balance by Vestry), \$250.50. Total, \$480.01.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$6.50; Salary of Bishop, \$3.16; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$1.15; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, 2.62; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, Local Mission Work, \$18.00. Total, \$31.43.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$541.44.

*Property.*

Church and Lot, (estimated worth), \$4,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$4,000; Other Property, \$600. Condition of Property, fair.

Indebtedness.—On Rectory, \$1,000 in gold, on Church, \$275; interest due \$89.25, Total, \$1,364.25.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$125.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; all free.

*Remarks.*

Debt has been reduced about \$250 during past year.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHAZY.

The Rev. Irving McElroy, Priest in Charge.

*Parochial.*

Families, 8; Individuals (Adults, 13, Children, 10), 23; Marriages, 1; Communicants, last reported, 13; died, 1, removed, 1; present number recorded, 11; Public Services: Monthly, when practicable.

*Remarks.*

St. Peter's Mission, Ellenburgh, is virtually hopeless. There are eleven families nominally connected with the Mission, scattered over nearly thirty miles of country. There are eight communicants on the books, some of whom, since my last visit, have gone west. The attendance at the services averages three, four or five from one family. The Church is falling into ruin, and is most shamefully abused; and the Convocation of Ogdensburgh, at their last meeting, advocated the sale of the property. I have tried to hold monthly service, but having to pay all my own expenses, was obliged to give it up. St.

Paul's, Centreville, or Mooers Forks, is the most promising of these Missions; property in good condition; people willing to attend the services; usual average attendance thirty to fifty; Communicants, three in number; but no disposition to make any financial arrangements. I think, could I have an assistant, or could we have an intelligent Missionary at work in this section, the Church could be established again in these waste places, and planted in many of the little towns where now they have no services at all, beyond the occasional sermon by some transient preacher, or the class meeting conducted by some godly man from among themselves. The places, however, are virtually without religious privileges. For even the Church of Rome, with all her resources, is almost helpless in places where we have been at work, and for which we can now do little more than pray.

### ST. JOHN'S MISSION, SALMON RIVER.

Missionary. The Rev. Henry Mason Smyth.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 20; Individuals (Adults, 48, Children, 25), 73; Communicants, present number recorded, 37; Public Services, every Sunday afternoon, except first Sunday in each month; Holy Communion, public, 3.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$80; Other Parochial Objects, \$70.90. Total, \$150.90.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$4.40. Total amount of Offerings, \$155.30.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Chapel, 100; Number free, all.

#### *Remarks.*

The debt on the Chapel, which was assumed by the former Rector, in order that the Chapel might be consecrated, and which was afterward assumed by individuals in the congregation, is now paid. The services are well attended by an attentive, devout, and increasing congregation.

## Columbia County.

### CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, STOCKPORT.

Rector. The Rev. George Fisher.

Assistants. The Rev. Wm. B. Reynolds and the Rev. B. R. Kirkbride.

Wardens. C. H. Stott, Thos. H. James.

Vestrymen. F. H. Stott, John McGargle, Wm. F. Butler, Jr., James Hyde, Gordon B. Reynolds, Wm. H. Vandecarr, Frank M. Snyder, Frank C. Kittle.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 140; Individuals (Adults, 300, Children, 200), 500; Baptisms

(Adults, 2, Infants, 21), 23; Marriages, 2; Burials, 18; Communicants, last reported, 179, received, 1, died, 5, removed, 7, present number recorded, 168; actually communicating, 140; Public Services (Sundays, Church, 101, Chapel, 80, 181; Holy Days, Church, 13, Chapel, 7, 20; other days, Church, 19, Chapel, 29, 48), 249; Holy Communion (public, Church, 21, Chapel, 16, 37, private, 1), 38; Sunday School, teachers, Church, 18, Chapel, 30, 48; pupils, Church, 100, Chapel, 233, 333; Catechizing, in the Sunday Schools nearly every Sunday; Parish School, teachers, 2; pupils, 21.

### *Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$38.05; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,821.25; Sunday School, \$155.37; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$283.51; Other Parochial Objects: Parish Library, \$42; Distribution of Prayer Books, \$17.71; Church-yard, \$9.80. Total, \$2,367.89.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$150; Salary of the Bishop, \$50; Diocesan Fund, \$30; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$20; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$3.58; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$101.45; the Child's Hospital, \$51.87; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$20. Total, \$436.90.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$37.50; Foreign Missions, \$15; Indian Missions, \$20; Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$10; Other objects exterior to the Diocese: Mission to Jews, \$5.17; Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$93; Bishop Whipple's Work, \$5.24. Total, \$185.91.

Total Amount of Offerings. \$2,990.70.

### *Property.*

Church and Lot (assessors' valuation), \$3,500; Parsonage and Lot (assessors' valuation), \$600; Other Property (assessors' valuation), \$2,500. Total, \$6,600; Condition of property, excellent.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300, in the Chapel, 200; Number free, all.

### *Remarks.*

This Report includes the work at St. Barnabas' Chapel, Stottville. The Rector gratefully acknowledges the assistance, freely given, of the Rev. W. B. Reynolds, during the past year. In addition to the above, Cottage services have been held, occasionally, in different parts of the parish; some repairs and improvements have been made at the Church, and the Chapel has received a new carpet and a very beautiful and complete set of linen for the celebration of the Holy Communion.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, KINDERHOOK.

**Rector.** The Rev. Samuel Hanson Coxe, S. T. D.

**Wardens.** James Mitchell, Henry S. Wynkoop.

**Vestrymen.** Francis Silvester, Isaac V. A. Snyder, Aaron J. Vanderpoel, Edward P. Van Alstyne, Augustus W. Wynkoop, Elbridge G. Howard, George H. Taylor, C. H. Housman.

*Parochial.*

Families and parts of families, 45; Individuals, 112; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 5), 6; Marriages, 2; Burials, 5; Communicants, present number recorded, 72; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy and other days, 66), 170; Holy Communion, public, 12; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 70; Catechizing, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,390.79; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$426.32. Total, \$1,817.11.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$180; Salary of the Bishop, \$26; Diocesan Fund, \$30; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$8.43; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$12; the Child's Hospital, \$12. Total, \$268.43.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$32.58; Foreign Missions, \$15.36. Total, \$47.94.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,133.48.

*Property.*

Church and Lot and Parsonage and Lot (estimated worth), \$8,000; Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; Number free, all.

*Remarks.*

An Industrial School for girls, on Saturday afternoons, has been commenced, and is in flourishing progress.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, COPAKE.

The Rev. R. E. Terry, Acting Rector.

Assistant. The Rev. Thomas Benjamin Fulcher.

Wardens. J. C. Chesbrough, Sr., and Lem. Pomeroy, Jr.

*Parochial.*

Families, 16; Individuals (Adults, 85, Children, 15), 50; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 2), 6; Churchings, 1; Communicants, admitted, 2, present number recorded, 12; actually communicating, 10; Public Services (Sundays, 9, other days, 1), 10; Holy Communion, public, 7.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$34.32; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$100.00; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$260.50. Total, \$394.82.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$6.00.

Total Amount of Offerings \$400.82.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), Parsonage and Lot, \$10,000.00. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector and Assistant Minister, \$100.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150.

*Remarks.*

At the request of the Bishop, I assumed temporary supervision of this parish, in the spring of 1877, previous to which time no services had been held in the Church since July, 1876. In the autumn of 1877, the Bishop visited the parish and confirmed four persons. On Easter Tuesday of this year the parish held its first meeting since 1869, and elected a legal Vestry. Since then the Church and Rectory have been repainted within and without, and Church life somewhat revived.

During parts of the years 1877 and 1878, monthly services have been maintained, conducted by myself or my assistants, the Rev. Mr. Hartman and the Rev. Mr. Fulcher.

## TRINITY CHURCH, CLAVERACK.

Missionary. The Rev. Joseph Hooper.

Wardens. Wm. H. Philip, Horatio G. Adams.

Vestrymen. James J. Studley, Cornelius Shaw, Charles Studley, Dudley Pierce.

*Parochial.*

Families, 18; Individuals (Adults, 30, Children, 37), 67; Baptisms, Infants, 11; Confirmed, 2; Marriages, 1; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 34, admitted, 2, present number recorded, 36; actually communicating, 29; Public Services (Sundays, 52, Holy Days, 14, other days, 12), 78; Holy Communion, (public, 50, private, 2), 52; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 39; Catechizing, number of children, 39, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$191.51; Sunday School, \$20.50. Total, \$212.01.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$10.05; Salary of the Bishop, \$5.00; Diocesan Fund, \$2.00; the Child's Hospital, \$2.00. Total, \$19.05.

General.—Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$5.00. Total, \$5.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$236.06.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector; Pew Rents after deducting Current Expenses.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 90; number rented, 40, number free, 50.



*Remarks.*

The Sunday School has been well maintained the past year, and the number of Baptisms is larger than for nine years. The non-residence of the minister in charge is a disadvantage to the growth of the parish.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CLERMONT.

Rector. The Rev. Moses E. Wilson.

Trustees. W. H. Wilson, Robert Dibblee, Harold Wilson, G. Z. Foland, W. C. Doane, M. E. Wilson, J. A. Cook.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, Infants, 4; Marriages, 1; Burials, 2; Communicants, present number recorded, 16; Public Services, (Sundays, 49, other days, 7), 56; Holy Communion, public, 9; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 16.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.37; Sunday School, \$4; Other Parochial Objects, \$16.19. Total, \$33.56.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$12; Salary of the Bishop, \$6. Total, \$18.  
Total Amount of Offerings, \$51.56.

THE CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LEBANON SPRINGS, AND  
CHATHAM MISSION.

Missionary. Rev. Joseph Hooper.

Wardens. Silas G. Owen, Wm. H. Babcock.

Vestrymen. John G. Field, Esek C. King, Hampton C. Bull, Francis Myers, Elam T. Tanner.

*Parochial.*

Families, 52; Individuals (Adults, 87, Children, 35), 122; Baptisms (Adult, 1, Infants, 8), 9; Burials, 5; Communicants, last reported, 69, received, 6, died, 1; present number recorded, 75; actually communicating, 60; Public Services, (Sundays, 120, Holy Days, 16, other days, 54), 190; Holy Communion, (public, 26, private, 1), 27; Sunday School: None at present; children catechized from month to month.

*Offerings.*

Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$393.51; \*Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$230. Total, \$623.51.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$2; Diocesan Fund, \$2; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1; The Child's Hospital, \$2; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$7. Total, \$630.51.

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\*The item of \$230, under head of Increase and Improvement of Church Property, is money contributed for Church Lot at Lebanon Springs, and now on deposit until the promises of friends concerning a building are made good.

General. Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$4.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$634.51.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$250 and Offertories.

Number of Sitzings in the Chapel, Lebanon Springs, 80, free; at Chatham, 75, free.

*Remarks.*

The statistics are for all the Stations included in the Lebanon Mission, and show a steady growth.

## **Delaware County.**

### **ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HOBART.**

Rector. The Rev. Benjamin T. Hall.

Wardens. Samuel H. Taylor, Hector Stuart.

Vestrymen. George Barlow, Alexander McDonald, John Hanford, Peter Kilpatrick, Charles S. Stuart, Alfred Rollins, Edmund Taylor, Alex. H. Grant.

*Parochial.*

Families, 61; Individuals (Adults, 204, Children, 75), 279; Baptisms, Infants, 2; Burials, 4; Communicants, last reported, 108, admitted, 6, \*received, 2, died, 4, removed, 1; present number recorded, 111; actually communicating, 105; Public Services, Sundays, not regular since the Church has been without a Rector. Regular twice each Sunday, and every Friday, and on Feast Days since middle of November, 1878, to the present time; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 72; Catechizing, number of children, 72; number of times, 3.

*Offerings.*

Am unable to give any list of Collections.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,000.

Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$600 and Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; number rented, 200.

### **ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, DELHI.**

Rector. The Rev. Edwin B. Russell.

Wardens. John W. Woodruff, A. C. Edgerton.

Vestrymen. Green Moore, O. W. Smith, John Calhoun, M. D., Elbridge T. Gerry, S. E. Smith, R. P. Cormack, Frank L. Norton, J. H. McIntosh.

*Parochial.*

Families, 110; Individuals, 362; Baptism, Adult, 1; Confirmed, 6; Marriages,

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\*Under Rev. Mr. Jaudon, as I understand it; there was no Report last year.

5; Burials, 10; Communicants, last reported, 220, admitted, 6, received, 1, died, 2, removed, 10; present number recorded, 215; actually communicating, 150 to 175; Public Services (Sundays, 98; Holy Days, 10; other days, 50), 158; Holy Communion, public, 27; Sunday School, teachers, 13, pupils, 60; Catechizing, regularly.

#### *Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, given to Missions as below: Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,545.28; Sunday School, of which \$20 for Bishop Tuttle, \$33.56; Dennis Estate in Trust and Otherwise, \$150; Special for Organ and Music, \$35; Other Parochial Objects: Altar Society, \$29.75; Church Debt, \$800; Christmas Tree, \$25. Total, \$2,618.59.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$95; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Diocesan Fund, \$12; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$10.50; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$75; The Child's Hospital, \$5.56. Total, \$228.06.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$12.92; Foreign Missions, \$26.77; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Yellow Fever Sufferers, given through the Sunday School, \$16. Total, \$49.69.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,896.34.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000; Parsonage and Lot (at present time), about \$3,000.

Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 380; number rented, 70 Pews, number free, 6 Pews.

#### *Remarks.*

The chief work of the parish this year has been the payment in full of an old debt. This has been satisfactorily accomplished, and the Church has now no incumbrance upon it. The Rector hoped to have (D. V.) done much more than this, but the greater portion of some months has been kept in doors by lameness, from which he has recovered. He is under many obligations to Rev. Dr. Swope, Rev. Byron J. Hall, and other visiting clergy, for their many services; as also, those of the very efficient Lay Reader, Prof. Smith. The Church has been favoured this year, as usual, with handsome presents for the edifice and grounds.

### CHRIST CHURCH, WALTON.

**Rector.** The Rev. Richard C. Searing.

**Wardens.** David H. Gay, George St. John.

**Vestrymen.** S. H. St. John, Edwin Guild, Frederick A. Brisack, Samuel B. Merwin, James D. Rogers, Geo. C. Seeley, John S. Eells, Julius W. St. John

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 75; Individuals (Adults, 184, Children, 96), 280; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 10), 12; Confirmed, 3; Marriages, 3; Burials, 9; Communicants, last

reported, 104, admitted, 3, died, 2, removed, 2, present number recorded, 103; actually communicating, 85; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 38, other days, 61), 203; Holy Communion, public, 20; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 80; Catechizing, number of children, 60, number of times, 12.

Besides the above services, I have held 21 at Mission Stations in School houses, and 2 at Deposit, one of the latter being the Holy Communion.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$40.62; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$720.81; Sunday School, \$45.10; Increase and improvement of Church Property, \$444.80; Other Parochial Objects, Mission Services adjacent, \$8.50. Total, \$1,259.83.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$50.00; Salary of the Bishop, \$30.00; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$6.00; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5.00; the Child's Hospital, \$5.00; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$2.00; Other Offerings for objects within the Diocese, Convocation of the Susquehanna, \$3.00. Total, \$101.00.

General.—Yellow Fever Sufferers at Granada, Miss., \$20.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,380.83.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 225; number rented, 175, number free, 50.

#### *Remarks.*

In making our Report this year, it seems but due to the parish, to make especial mention of the agencies through which much of our money has been raised.

The Ladies' Society has been very efficient in their part of parish work, having through the efforts of the members, with the help of kind friends, entirely re-cushioned the seats of the Church. And besides the money raised they have worked hard in many ways.

The Altar Society, working under the Ladies' Society, has taken especial charge of the chancel. Their work is shown by a new and very beautiful Altar, three Altar cloths, besides other necessary pieces of work. In the latter part of parish work, the children of the Sunday School are interested, and contribute their offerings freely to carry it on.

#### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, FRANKLIN.

Rector. The Rev. Wm. Charles Grubbe.

Wardens. Henry S. Edwards, Col. Benj. T. Cooke.

Vestrymen. Milton Bostwick, Waldo Collett, John T. Waters, Andrew T. Treadwell, Eli P. Howe, James A. Pierson, Stephen M. Betts, Col. Sylvester Wheat.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 45; Individuals (Adults, 114, Children, 31), 145; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 3), 7; Confirmed, 1; Marriages, 1; Burials, 3; Communicants, last reported, 64, admitted, 3, received, 2, died, 2, present number recorded, 67,

actually communicating, 52; Public Services (Sundays, 47, Holy Days, 10, other days 39); Holy Communion (public, 31, private, 2), 33; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 20.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$14.02.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$5.33.

General.—Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, Church Mission to the Jews, \$2.00; Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$5.41. Total, \$7.41.

Total amount of Offerings, \$26.76.

Indebtedness, on Salary of Rector, \$361.69.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.

**CHRIST CHURCH, DEPOSIT.**

Wardens. D. N. Walling, Titus M. Bixby.

Vestrymen. Dr. W. H. Gregory, J. A. Barrows, Calvin Onderdonk, A. C. Moses.

*Parochial.*

Families, 20; Individuals (Adults, 44, Children, 27), 71; Communicants, removed, 5, present number recorded, 27, actually communicating, 27; Public Services, none during the year, except lay reading a few afternoons.

*Offerings.*

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$6.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$1,000; Condition of Property, good.

*Remarks.*

I do not know when the last Report was made. Very little has been done for a year back, and but little prospect of improvement in the future.

D. N. WALLING, *Warden.*

**Essex County.****THE CHURCH OF THE CROSS, TICONDEROGA.**

Rector. The Rev. Wm. H. Cook.

Warden. Henry Clay Burnett.

Vestrymen. Wm. G. Baldwin, Brackett W. Burleigh, Alanson M. Pond, Carlton Cook, John C. Fenton, Justice B. Rising.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 4), 9; Marriages, 1; Burials, 2; Communicants,

last reported, 54, received, 4, died, 1, removed, 3, present number recorded, 51; Public Services (Sundays, 102, Holy Days, 3, other days, 15), 120; Holy Communion, public, 10; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 47.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$378.32; Sunday School, \$12.27; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$6. Total, \$396.59.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions (Ogdensburgh Convocation), \$5; Salary of the Bishop, \$3; the Child's Hospital, \$3.75. Total, \$11.75.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$408.34.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,500; Condition of Property, excellent. Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$400.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 177; number free, all.

#### *Remarks.*

The Rev. William H. Cook assumed charge of this parish on the second Sunday after Easter, May 5, 1878. Confirmation has not been administered in the parish since September, 1876, though visited by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop, in 1877. A class awaits his next visitation.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ESSEX.

The Rev. Eugene L. Toy, Missionary.

Wardens. S. D. Derby, James B. Ross.

Vestrymen. E. D. Ferguson, M. D., A. J. Tucker, John Ross, A. J. B. Ross, R. Fortune, P. E. Havens, John Ferris, C. E. Stacks.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 60; Baptisms, Infants, 8; Marriages, 1; Burials, 4; Communicants, admitted, 1, died, 2, present number recorded, 81, actually communicating, 56; Public Services (Sundays, 87, Holy Days, 33, other days, 55), 175; Holy Communion (public, 26, private, 1), 27; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 18.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$21.97; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$313.32; Sunday School, \$30. Total, \$364.29.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$16; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.14; the Child's Hospital, \$5. Total, \$35.14.

General.—Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$6.52.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$405.95.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$1,000; Condition of Property, fair.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, Lewis, \$137, Essex, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 100; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

This Report is for work done since February 9th, 1878, and for all the Missions under my charge.

The communicants are distributed as follows: Essex, 37; Bouquet, 4; Willsboro', 13; Whallonsburgh, 3; Wadham's Mills, 3; Elizabethtown, 3; Lewis, 18. *In Lewis* I have held service every Sunday. \$137 was subscribed for the services of a Missionary; \$5 has been paid in cash (in all only \$8.23) up to January 1, 1879.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, KEESEVILLE.

Rector. The Rev. Charles A. Bragdon.

Wardens. Dr. A. P. Hammond and H. L. Coppins.

Vestrymen. Dr. H. O. Tallmadge, W. P. Parkill, C. F. Tabor, F. S. Parks, W. F. Cottrill, Frank Madden, Fred White, A. Bachant.

*Parochial.*

Families, 25; Individuals (Adults, 40, Children, 30), 70; Burials, 3; Communicants, last reported, 56, died 3, removed, 9, present number recorded, 30, actually communicating, 21; Public Services, Sundays, 6; Holy Communion, public, 4. Sunday School, teachers (Bible Class), 1, pupils, 7.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.93; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$600.00. Total, \$613.93.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$18.75.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$632.68.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,000. Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged former Rector, \$525; present Rector, none.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The former Rector, Rev. W. H. Cook, resigned this parish last Easter, at which time the parish owed him \$300.00. Until Oct. 1st the parish was without a Rector. Since Oct. 1st the present Rector has officiated at one burial, and held three monthly services on Sunday mornings, celebrating Holy Communion each time. No salary has been given him except the Communion Alms, \$13.93.

By the efforts of the parishioners all indebtedness was cleared Jan. 1st, and now the parish is again entirely free from debt.

## CHRIST CHURCH, PORT HENRY.

Rector. The Rev. Wm. R. Woodbridge.

Assistant. The Rev. Charles E. Cragg.

Wardens. Frank S. Atwell, Wm. M. J. Botham.

Vestrymen. Robt. J. Wait, Geo. T. Murdock, Theodore Tromblee, Jr., Thomas F. Weatherbee, Joseph Strong.



*Parochial.*

Families, 33 ; Individuals (Adults, 96, Children, 98), 194 ; Baptisms (Adults, 11 [including 2 in Westport], Infants, 22), 33 ; Confirmed, 11 ; Marriages, 5 ; Burials, 9 ; Communicants, last reported, 62, admitted, 11, received, 1, removed 3, present number recorded, 71 ; Public Services (Sundays, 106 [including 2 at Westport], Holy Days, 30, other days, 88), 224 ; Holy Communion, public, 16 ; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 64 ; Catechizing, number of Children, 35, number of times, 7.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$580.96 ; Sunday School, \$26.27 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$30.00. Total, \$637.23.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$33.95 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$15.00 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$5.83 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$10.00 ; the Child's Hospital, \$9.41 ; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, Convocation of Ogdensburgh, \$2.92 ; Essex County Bible Society, \$10.00. Total, \$93.11.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$9.74 ; Foreign Missions, \$15.43 ; Indian Missions, \$1.84 ; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, Mexico Mission, \$5.56 ; Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$10.00. Total, \$42.57.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$772.91.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000.00. Condition of property, good.

Indebtedness.—For Current Expenses, \$92.00.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$520.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 180 ; number free, all.

**EMMANUEL MISSION, MINEVILLE.**

Missionary. The Rev. Wm. R. Woodbridge.

Assistant. The Rev. Charles E. Cragg.

Warden. James Wait.

Treasurer. George T. Treadway.

*Parochial.*

Families, 15 ; Individuals (Adults, 42, Children, 43), 85 ; Baptisms (Adults, 7, Infants, 2), 9 ; Confirmed, 13 ; Burials, 1 ; Communicants, last reported, 24, admitted, 13, removed, 10, present number recorded, 27 ; Public Services (Sundays, 51, Holy Days, 4, other days, 22), 77 ; Holy Communion, public, 5 ; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 20.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$60.66.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$60.66.

*Property.*

Not any.

*Remarks.*

There is a pressing need of a place of worship of our own, without which the work cannot be properly carried on, or the Mission permanently established.

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, AUSABLE FORKS.

Rector. The Rev. Charles A. Bragdon.

Warden. James Rogers, Jr.

*Parochial.*

Families, 40; Individuals (Adults, 90, Children, 81), 171; Baptisms, Infants, 4; Confirmed, 6; Communicants, last reported, 48, admitted, 6, received, 1, present number recorded, 55; Public Services (Sundays, 60, Holy Days, 14, other days, 7), 81; Holy Communion, public, 11; Sunday School, teachers 7, pupils, 42; Catechizing, number of children, 30.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$459.96; Sunday School, \$11.84; Other Parochial Objects: For Poor, \$15. Total, \$486.80.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$50; Salary of the Bishop, \$16; Diocesan Fund, \$15; Other Offerings for objects within the Diocese: Convocation of Ogdensburgh, \$20.74. Total, \$101.74.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$588.54.

*Property.*

Condition of Property, excellent.

Indebtedness.—Arrearages, Current Expenses for past two years, \$181.79; Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 225; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The former Rector resigned May 22d, and the parish was without Rector or services until Oct. 1st, when the present Rector took charge. On taking charge I found deficiencies in current expenses amounting to something over \$200. Part has been paid, and we hope before another year ends to have it all paid.

The parishioners have been very kind to the Rector and family. On our arrival we found a great deal done toward furnishing the rectory, and kindness thus begun has not ceased.

Have held services at Jay and Palmer Hill. The former ought to have frequent services, as many from Keene, Wilmington and parts around can attend here, when it is impossible to come to the parish Church. One-half of the communicants reported above live in this region and rarely are able to attend Church.

## CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, BLOOMINGDALE.

Rector. The Rev. Charles S. Knapp.

Warden. James Pierce.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 50, Children, 25), 75; Baptisms, Adults, 2; Public Services, Sundays, 20; Holy Communion, private, 1.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$40.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$40.

*Remarks.*

This Mission has been established within the past year, and is the outgrowth of work being done at "St. John's in the Wilderness."

**Franklin County.**

**ST. MARK'S CHURCH, MALONE.**

Rector. The Rev. John B. Pitman.

Wardens. William Andrus, Horace A. Taylor.

Vestrymen. F. T. Heath, J. J. Seaver, M. S. Mallon, Albert Hobbs, J. E. Barry, R. S. Brown.

*Parochial.*

Families, 80; Individuals (Adults, 282, Children, 118), 500; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 7), 8; Confirmed, 6; Marriages, 8; Burials, 12; Communicants, last reported, 137, admitted, 6, received 14, died, 2, removed, 4, present number recorded, 166, actually communicating, 120; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 8, other days, 56), 64; Holy Communion (public, 34, private, 6), 40; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 70; Catechizing, number of children, 70; number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$33.37; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,449.54; Sunday School, \$40.25; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$219; Other Parochial Objects, \$31.30; Sunday School, for Organ, \$50; Sunday School, for Library, \$71; Ladies' Parish Aid Society, for Organ, \$1,112.91. Total, \$3,007.37.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$67.87; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Diocesan Fund, \$30.55; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$5; Other Offerings for objects within the Diocese: Convocation Expenses, \$25. Total, \$158.42.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$14.53; Foreign Missions, \$10; Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$10.72; Other objects exterior to the Diocese: Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$50; Conversion of the Jews, \$3.35; Rt. Rev. H. B. Whipple, D. D., \$12. Total, \$100.60.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,266.39.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000; Other Property, \$4,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300 ; number free, all.

#### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BRUSH'S MILLS.

Rector. The Rev. W. M. Cook, S. T. B.

Wardens. C. Jameson, J. C. Farusworth.

Vestrymen. H. Corbin Brush, George Earle, David Smith, Robert Dunlop, O. J. Jameson, Wm. S. Barnum, O. P. H. Fancher.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 30; Individuals (Adults, 86, Children, 28), 114; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 1), 4; Confirmed, 5; Marriages, 2; Burials, 3; Communicants, last reported, 36, admitted, 3, received, 2, died, 2, removed, 1, present number recorded, 44, actually communicating, 42; Public Services (Sundays, 33, Holy Days, 14, other days, 13), 60; Holy Communion, public, 17; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 25; Catechizing, number of times, 5.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$32.64. Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$223.28; Sunday School, \$14.40; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$68. Total, \$338.32.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$17.94; Salary of the Bishop, \$8; Diocesan Fund, \$6. Total, \$31.94.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$370.26.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$260.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150 ; number free, all.

#### *Remarks.*

The figures given above under the head of "Offerings" are necessarily reckoned only from April 28th, with the exception of the amount given to Diocesan Missions. The parish, and the two Missions connected with it, St. Thomas', Lawrenceville, and St. Mark's, West Bangor, have purchased a conveyance, complete throughout, and presented it to the Rector to be held in trust and used by him as long as he continues his connection with them. Should the property ever have to be sold, or divided, it is understood that it shall be done in such a manner that each shall receive a share proportionate to the amount it has contributed towards purchasing the property.

#### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CHATEAUGAY.

Minister in Charge. The Rev. W. M. Cook, S. T. B.

Wardens. Levi Peake, S. B. M. Beckwith.

Vestrymen. Thomas Peake, Robert Lavery, Thomas Cantwell, L. G. Stuart, I. D. Beckwith.

*Parochial.*

Families, 16; Baptisms, Infants, 5; Burials, 3; Communicants, present number recorded, 16; Public Services, 5; Holy Communion, public, 1.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$1.83; Other Parochial Objects, \$10.51; Ladies' Aid Society (about), \$25. Total, \$36.34.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$36.34.

Indebtedness—Over \$1,000.

*Remarks.*

I assumed charge of St. John's parish in August at the request of the Arch-deacon of Ogdensburgh, and have held service once a month since; *twice* one month. Have attended one funeral, and the Rev. J. B. Pitman has attended two for me.

The Church property was sold during the year at auction, and is now unfit, as well as unavailable, for services. The great want is a suitable place to hold services. If this were secured, a strong hope might be entertained of reviving the parish. As it is, there is but little.

## ST. MARK'S CHURCH, WEST BANGOR.

Rector. The Rev. W. M. Cook, S. T. B.

Warden. Ira A. Darling, M. D.

*Parochial.*

Families, 26; Individuals (Adults, 57, Children, 39), 96; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 9), 15; Confirmed, 13; Marriages, 1; Communicants, last reported, 12, admitted, 12, received, 4, removed, 2, present number recorded, 29, actually communicating, 26; Public Services (Sundays, 33, Holy Days, 2, other days, 6), 40; Holy Communion, public, 13; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, \*46; Catechizing, number of children, the Sunday School; number of times, 7.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$17.71; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$86.20; Sunday School, \$10.20; Increase and Improvement of Mission Property, \$50; Other Parochial Objects: Interest on Church debt, \$15; Ladies' Aid Society, \$43.57. Total, \$222.68.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$2; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.46; Other Offerings for objects within the Diocese: Convocation of Ogdensburgh, \$1.89. Total, \$6.35.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$229.03.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,000. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness—On the Church (about), \$925; Unpaid Interest on same, \$35.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$75.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; number free, all.

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\*And a large Bible Class.

**ST. JAMES' MISSION, HOGANSBURGH.**

Rector. The Rev. Joshua N. T. Goss.

Warden. Alfred Fulton.

Clerk and Treasurer. Gurdon S. Mills.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, Infants, 1; Burials, 2; Communicants, last reported, 34, removed, 1, present number recorded, 33; Public Services (Sundays, 43, Holy Days, 2), 45; Holy Communion, public, 6.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$274.10; other Parochial objects: Christmas Gift to Rector, 10; Christmas Gift to Rev. Mr. Finlay, \$10. Total, \$294.10.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$25; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4.85. Total, \$35.85.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$329.95.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,000; Other Property, \$150. Total, \$4,150. Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$250.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150, all free.

*Remarks.*

In addition to the above, six services have been held at Helena, and the Holy Communion administered once. The above Report includes the number of Communicants at this point.

**CHURCH OF ST. JOHN IN THE WILDERNESS, ST. REGIS LAKE.**

Rector. The Rev. Charles S. Knapp.

Warden. Dr. E. L. Trudeau.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 30, Children, 43), 73; Baptisms, Infants, 2; Burials, 1; Public Services (Sundays, 28, Holy Days, 1), 29; Holy Communion, public, 1; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 40; Catechizing, number of times, month

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$123.63; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$637.25; Sunday School, \$32; Increase and Improvement Church Property, \$166.14. Total, \$959.02.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Fund, \$9; Other Offerings for objects within the diocese: Convocation, \$2. Total, \$11.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$960.02.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,550; Condition of Property, excellent.  
Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

**CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, THE BELOVED PHYSICIAN, SARANAC LAKE.**

Rector. The Rev. Charles S. Knapp.

Warden. Dr. E. L. Trudeau.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 60, Children, 25), 85; Baptisms (Adults, 20, Infants, 13), 33; Burials, 1; Public Services, Sundays, 36; Holy Communion, public, 2.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$15.70; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$45.75; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$4,000.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$4,061.45.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, all free.

*Remarks.*

This is entirely new work for the Diocese, as it has all been done within the past year and in a region never before occupied. The new Church is all paid for, and the deed has been sent to the Board of Missions.

**Fulton County.****ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, JOHNSTOWN, N. Y.**

Rector. The Rev. Charles C. Edmunds.

Wardens. E. W. Prindle and A. S. Van Voast.

Vestrymen. Jonathan Ricketts, James M. Dudley, John M. Carroll, Isaiah Taunney, Thomas Ricketts, William J. Pyne, James I. Younglove, Charles Prindle.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 4 Infants, 10), 14; Confirmed, 10; Marriages, 7; Burials, 10; Communicants, last reported, 130; Public Services (Sundays, 105, Holy Days, 28, other days, 65), 198; Holy Communion (public, 16, private, 12), 28; Sunday School, teachers, 16, pupils, 100; Catechizing, number of children, 100, number of times, 30.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$79.66.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$64.00; Salary of the Bishop, \$40.00; Diocesan Fund, \$39.00; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5.00. Total, \$148.00.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$16.20; Foreign Missions, \$15.00; Indian Missions, \$5.00; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$26.25; Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$50.00. Total, \$112.45.

Total Amount of Offerings as reported, \$340.11.

Current, Parish and Sunday School expenses are not reported.



**Greene County.****ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CATSKILL.**

Rector. The Rev. Robert Weeks.

Wardens. Charles Trowbridge, Charles S. Willard.

Vestrymen. Charles B. Pinckney, Oliver Bourke, John H. Bagley, Jr., Theodore A. Cole, Manly B. Mattice, George W. Halcott, William L. DuBois, Charles E. Willard.

*Parochial.*

Families, 168; Individuals (Adults, 456, Children, 186), 642; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 17), 21; Confirmed, 22 (1 in private, and 1 by Bishop of New Hampshire at St. Paul's School, Concord); Marriages, 7; Burials, 16; Churchings, 2; Communicants, last reported, 224, admitted, 21, received, 2, died, 3, present number recorded, 244; Public Services, all Sundays, and Holy Days, other days Wednesdays and Fridays, 334; Holy Communion (public, 50, private, 11), 61; Sunday School, teachers, 21, pupils, 152; Catechizing, number of Children, 152, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, early Celebrations for Altar, \$42.49; Current Expenses, including Salaries, Offerings, and Pew Rents, \$1,627.57; Sunday School Library, \$16.54; Sunday School Christmas Tree, \$84.90; Parish Poor, \$72.17; Easter Offering for Parish, \$140.32. Total, \$1,983.99.

Diocesan Purposes, including Diocesan Missions, Salary of the Bishop, Diocesan Fund, Increase of the Episcopate Fund, Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$154.28; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$32.76; the Child's Hospital, from Sunday School, \$2.00; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$9.05; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$10.50. Total, \$208.59.

General.—Domestic Missions, Foreign Missions, Indian Missions, Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$33.51; Easter Offering of Sunday School for St. Mark's School, Salt Lake City, Utah, \$43.45. Total, \$76.96.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,269.54.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,500; Lot for new Church, \$1,500. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness, on property and Salaries at date \$1,725.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200, and parsonage rent free.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 375, rented.

*Remarks.*

From July 1st to October, services were held at Palensville and Tannersville on the Mountain, by Rev. Scott B. Rathbun, Deacon, and B. B. G. Stone, Lay Reader, aided by visiting clergy. At Palensville, through the efforts, mainly of one resident communicant, \$650 have been raised, and a lot has been given for a Church, which it is hoped will be built and enclosed by the 1st of May. Except in the case of one Baptism, and one Celebration of the Holy Communion,

the statistics of these places are not included in the above Report, and should appear in the Report of Mr. Rathbun, the Deacon in charge of the Mission.

### CHRIST CHURCH, COXSACKIE.

Minister. The Rev. Newton Dexter.

Warden. Nicholas Clute, M. D.

Vestrymen. S. W. Richardson, Wm. Farmer, L. Hubbell, Alex. Cuming, W. Decker, A. B. Houghtaling, Winslow Case, W. E. Leete.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 30; Individuals (Adults, 65, Children, 24), 89; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 2), 3; Marriages, 1; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 29, received, 1, died, 1, removed, 1, present number recorded, 28; Public Services, Sundays, 70; Holy Communion (public 8, private, 1), 9; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 60; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$10.00; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$676.55; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$125.00. Total, \$811.55.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$6.25; Bishop's House, \$8.40. Total, \$14.65.

General.—Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$9.50.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$835.70.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$8,000. Condition of Property, good. Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; number free, 250.

#### *Remarks.*

The above Report is from May, 1878, when I assumed charge of the parish.

### TRINITY CHURCH, ATHENS.

Rector. The Rev. James Wilkins Stewart.

Wardens. Nathan Clark, Samuel H. Nichols.

Vestrymen. Elbridge D. Nichols, Daniel S. Thornton, Henry O. Nichols, Hobart D. Pennoyer, George S. Nichols, Nathan Clark, Jr., O. H. Hervey, Wm. Van Loan.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 70; Individuals, Adults, 250; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 2), 3; Marriages, 1; Burials, 11; Communicants, last reported, 104, admitted, 3, received, 1, died, 4, removed, 19, present number recorded, 85; actually communicating, 71; Public Services, Sundays, 162; Holy Communion, public, 17; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 62; Catechizing, number of children, 50; Catechizing, number of times, 38.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$26.13; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$810; Sunday School, \$57.92; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$352.50. Total, \$1,246.55.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$26; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Diocesan Fund, \$18; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$3; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$6.22. Total, \$73.22.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$8; Foreign Missions, \$2.46. Total, \$10.46.  
Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,330.23.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000; Other property, \$5,000. Total, \$14,000. Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 350, free.

*Remarks.*

The Church building has been thoroughly repaired and painted, and greatly improved by the erection of an organ chamber, and the decoration of the chancel and walls.

The large reduction in the number of communicants from last Report is due chiefly to a careful revision of the list.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, OAKHILL.**

Rector. The Rev. Erastus Webster.

Warden. John Cherritree.

Vestrymen. Waller Cherritree, H. O. Graham, Wm. Dewitt, James Terbush.

*Parochial.*

Families, 16; Individuals, Children, 40; Communicants, last reported, 32, received, 2, present number recorded, 34; Public Services (Sundays, 48, Holy Days, 2), 50; Holy Communion, public, 11; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 25; Catechizing, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$16.17; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$250; Sunday School, \$14; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$40; Other Parochial objects, \$5.20. Total, \$360.37.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$6; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$2.50. Total, \$16.50.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$76.37.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.

**CHRIST CHURCH, GREENVILLE.**

Rector. The Rev. Erastus Webster.

Wardens. E. W. Parmer, T. S. Prevost.

Vestrymen. E. R. Roe, W. S. Rundle, S. George, G. J. Ponsonby, B. Waldron, J. T. Rundle, James Mabie, George Robins.

*Parochial.*

Families, 14 ; Individuals, Adults, 40 ; Baptisms, Infants, 2 ; Burials, 1 ; Communicants, last reported, 36, died, 1, present number recorded, 35 ; Public Services (Sundays, 45, Holy Days, 2, other days, 1), 48 ; Holy Communion (public, 11, private, 8), 19.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$6 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$250. Total, \$256.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$2 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12 ; Diocesan Fund, \$1.50. Total, \$15.50.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$271.50.

Indebtedness, \$200.

TRINITY CHURCH, ASHLAND.

Rector. The Rev. H. C. Hutchings.

Wardens. Willis Chatfield, Darius B. Prout.

Vestrymen. Addison Steele, N. C. Snow, Friend Holcomb, M. D., Austin Munson, Lucius Graham, Merritt McLain, Mortimer Brainard, George Smith.

*Parochial.*

Families, 24 ; Individuals (Adults, 62, Children, 51), 113 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 5 ; Communicants, present number recorded, 44, actually communicating, 40 ; Public Services (Sundays, 51, Holy Days, 3, other days, 6), 60 ; Holy Communion, public, 9 ; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 30 ; Catechizing, number of times, 6.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$1.66 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$409.00 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$2,025.00. Total, \$2,435.66.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$20.00 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00 ; Diocesan Fund, \$9.00 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$5.00. Total, \$40.00.

General.—Foreign Missions, \$3.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,478.66.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,775.00 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,500.00. Condition of Property, the Rectory is in good condition, the Church new.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175 ; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The old Church which had been built just sixty years, having undergone very little alteration in that time, was thoroughly out of repair and ancient in appearance. The Vestry therefore at our Easter meeting, when they were considering

the feasibility of repairing or building anew, considered the old building of little value, and that it would be impossible to transform it into a Church that would be accommodated to their wants, and at the same time represent the honor they wished to bestow upon their Lord, in His House of Worship. Therefore, they saw fit to tear down the old Church and build anew. The Corner stone of the new Church was laid Aug. 14th by the Rector, assisted by the Rev. E. Webster. The new building is gothic in style, with side tower, and is finished within with chestnut. It is supplied with handsome stained glass windows, and has a very beautiful chancel window as a memorial to the Rev. Thos. S. Judd, who formerly served this parish as Rector for fourteen years. The new building is now nearly completed, and will probably be occupied the last Sunday in January. We expect on its completion to have it all paid for, as the amount of cost is now nearly provided for by subscription.

Since the new Church has been in process of building, services have been held in different places. During the summer very delightful services were held in a grove back of the Rectory, and since then they have been provided for in a school-house.

Besides the services at the parish Church in Ashland, the Rector has officiated for sixteen Sundays at Grace Church, Prattsville. The amount of offerings is \$33.00, given to the Rector for his services. There has been one baptism, and one burial here. He has also officiated in Hensonville on thirty-five Sundays and eight week days.

#### CALVARY CHURCH, CAIRO.

Rector. The Rev. F. B. Crozier.

Wardens. H. E. Hotchkiss and Lucius Byington.

Vestrymen. J. L. Van Hoesen, Selden H. Hine, F. H. Ford, Geo. Wickes, John Lennon, Geo. H. Noble, Horatio L. Day, Harlon Hine.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 20; Individuals (Adults, 66, Children, 23), 89; Baptisms, Infants, 2; Communicants, last reported, 50, present number recorded, 50, actually communicating, 48; Public Services (Sundays, 76, Holy Days, 10, other days, 34), 120; Holy Communion (public, 38, private, 2), 40.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$41.80; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$436.26. Total, \$478.06.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$13.21; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00. Total, \$19.21.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$497.27.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,500; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,500; other Property, \$200.00. Condition of Property: Church is in good condition, Rectory, fair.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$330.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

Parish vacant from Nov. 1st, 1877, till May 12th, 1878, when regular services were again commenced.

**Herkimer County.**

**TRINITY CHURCH, FAIRFIELD.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Lewis F. Morris.

**Wardens.** Jairus Mather and Reuben Neely.

**Vestrymen.** William Mather, M. D., James Seaman, C. V. Parsell, A. C. Wilson, C. W. Willard, C. E. Teall, C. C. Carpenter and H. S. Barnes.

*Parochial.*

Confirmed, 1; Communicants, last reported, 15, admitted, 1, received, 1, present number recorded, 17; Public Services (Sundays, 3, Holy Days, 1), 7; Holy Communion, public, 2.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$5.84; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$235.33; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$23.61; Other Parochial Objects, \$43.72. Total, \$308.50.

**Diocesan.**—Salary of the Bishop, \$12.00; Diocesan Fund, \$6.00. Total, \$18.00. Total Amount of Offerings, \$326.50.

*Property.*

Parsonage and Lot, \$1,500.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$150.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175; number free, 175.

*Remarks.*

The present Rector began his work on the 2nd Sunday in Advent. This report is for the time since then.

**GRACE CHURCH, NORWAY.**

**Missionary.** The Rev. Lewis F. Morris.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, Infants, 1; Communicants, last reported, 20, removed, 3, present number recorded, 17; Public Services, Sundays, 3.

**EMMANUEL CHURCH, LITTLE FALLS.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Albert Danker, Ph. D.

**Warden.** William T. Wheeler. (One vacancy.)

**Vestrymen.** R. S. Whitman, W. H. Weeks, E. B. Waite, A. G. Story, Wm. Beattie, G. A. Hardin, James Feeter, J. W. Magill.

*Parochial.*

Families, 90; Individuals, about 300; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 10), 13; Confirmed, 11; Marriages, 6; Burials, 9; Communicants, last reported, 150, admitted, 11, received, 6, died, 6, removed, 3, present number recorded, 158; Public Services (Sundays, 103, Holy Days, 15, other days, including Lent, 75), 193; Holy Communion (public, 30, private, 2), 32; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 100; Catechizing, number of children, 100, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$26.16; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,073.57; Sunday School, \$19.68; Ladies' Sewing Society, \$60; Festival, \$47; Other Parochial Objects: Floating Debt, \$260.50; Parochial Mission, \$3.77; Christmas Tree, \$34; Gift to Rector, \$51. Total, \$1,595.68.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$31.04; Salary of the Bishop, \$20.60; Diocesan Fund, \$24.90; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$24.37. Total, \$190.91

General.—Domestic Missions, \$16.37; Fever Sufferers at Memphis, \$7.24. Total, \$23.61.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,720.20.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$22,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000. Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 450; part rented and part free.

*Remarks.*

A quiet, steady growth characterizes this parish. The "Cottage Lecture" among the factory operatives is regularly maintained every week, and the "Sewing School" during the winter and spring.

**CHRIST CHURCH, HERKIMER.**

Rector. The Rev. Wm. Bogert Walker.

Wardens. George W. Pine, Robert Earl.

Vestrymen. Samuel Earl, J. D. Henderson, C. W. Palmer, E. A. Brown, H. P. Witherstine, G. H. Kelsey, H. G. Munger, J. Huyck.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 26), 32; Confirmed, 13; Marriages, 8; Burials, 18; Communicants, last reported, 98, admitted, 15, received, 3, removed, 7, present number recorded, 109, actually communicating, 102; Public Services (Sundays, 148, Holy Days, 72, other days, 98), 318; Holy Communion (public 72, private, 1), 73; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 106; Catechizing, number of children, 106, number of times, 40.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$896.98; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$356.69; Sunday School, \$40; Increase and Improvement of Church



Property, \$33.50; Other Parochial Objects: Gift to Rector, \$180.50; Parish Society, \$162.92. Total, \$1,670.59.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$50.43; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$12; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$7; The Child's Hospital, \$1; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$2.50. Total, \$86.93.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$3.50; Foreign Missions, \$1; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Mission to Jews, \$1.37; Mission to Mexico, \$1.15. Total, \$7.02.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,764.54.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,500; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,000; other property, \$1,000. Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$900.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250, free.

*Remarks.*

Services are held in a hall at Mohawk every Sunday afternoon, and Cottage services on Tuesday evenings.

Families, 24; Individuals (Adults, 65, Children, 23), 88; Communicants, 23, counted in above Report; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 30.

*Offerings.*

Current Expenses, \$127.91, Diocesan Missions, \$4.27; Gift to Rector, \$51.25; Sunday School, \$16.90; Miscellaneous, \$15. Total, \$215.33.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH, ILION.

Rector. The Rev. Edward M. Pecke.

Wardens. Floyd C. Shepard, Richard Winegar.

Vestrymen. Josiah L. Osgood, Fredk. A. W. Armstrong, W. K. Jenne, T. J. Behan, A. W. Haslehurst, Alfred Williamson, George Rix, Asa S. Anable.

*Parochial.*

Families, 72; Individuals (Adults, 172, Children, 156), 328; Baptisms, Infants, 5; Confirmed, 1; Marriages, 3; Burials, 4; Communicants, last reported, 83, admitted, 1, received, 24, removed, 10; present number recorded, 98; actually communicating, 82; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 24, other days, 45), 173; Holy Communion, public, 16; Sunday School, teachers, 14, pupils, 147; Catechizing, number of children, 147; number of times, 48.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$55.95; Current Expenses, including Salaries (through the offertory, \$122.49), \$516.12; Sunday School, \$30.87; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$61.44. Total, 664.38.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$8.84; Salary of the Bishop, \$10; Diocesan

Fund, \$12; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.21; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$3.01; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$4.55; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$3.77; the Child's Hospital, \$4.00 (\$1.69 from Sunday School); Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$1.68. Total, \$50.06.

General.—Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$3.52.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$717.96.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,000; Condition of Property, pretty good.

Indebtedness, \$5,322.27.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$400.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 245; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The greatest *apparent* need of the parish is more money wherewith to discharge debts and meet current expenses; but the greatest *real* need of the parish is an increase of self-devotion, and a fuller and higher appreciation of the *spiritual* nature of Christ's Kingdom.

**MEMORIAL CHURCH, MIDDLEVILLE.**

Missionary. The Rev. Lewis F. Morris.

*Parochial.*

Communicants, present number recorded, 9; Public Services, Sundays, 5.

*Remarks.*

The present Missionary has had charge of this Church since the second Sunday in Advent, A. D. 1878. He is unable to find any record of work done previous to his coming here.

**Montgomery County.**

**ST. ANN'S CHURCH, AMSTERDAM.**

Rector. The Rev. William N. Irish.

Wardens. W. Max. Reid, John I. Hand.

Vestrymen. Cyrus B. Chase, John K. Warnick, Le Grand S. Strang, James T. Sugden, George S. Devendorf, Wm. Ryland, E. H. Finlayson, J. Melville Thomas.

*Parochial.*

Families, 65; Individuals (Adults, 205, Children, 113), 318; Baptisms (Adults, 9, Infants, 11), 20; Confirmed, 15; Marriages, 9; Burials, 15; Communicants,

last reported, 111, admitted, 15, received, 10, died, 4, removed, 4, present number recorded, 128, actually communicating, 109; Public Services (Sundays, 102, Holy Days, 22, other days, 52), 176; Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 2), 20; Sunday School, teachers, including officers, 16, pupils, 110; Catechizing, number of children, all, number of times, every Sunday,

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$55.86; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,669.67; Sunday School (Children's Tree, \$41, cash during year, \$42.66), \$83.66. Total, \$1,809.19.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$4.78; The Child's Hospital, \$0.50. Total, \$5.28.

General.—General Missions, \$11.03; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Promotion of Christianity among the Jews, \$1.03. Total, \$12.06.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,826.53.

Indebtedness—\$4,227.04.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, all free, 250.

*Remarks.*

Interesting services have been held during the summer at St. Mary's Church, West Charlton. The little Church was built in 1815, and is now barely habitable. The birds "have found a nest" even in the Sanctuary. The Church will, with close packing, probably seat nearly two hundred persons. At each service there has been hardly standing room; and on one occasion, when the Holy Communion was celebrated, there were five hundred people in and around the building, many coming a distance of ten miles. There are eight communicants within a circuit of five miles.

ZION CHURCH, FONDA.

Missionary. The Rev. Charles H. Vandyne.

Wardens. Richard H. Cushney, Henry T. E. Brower.

Vestrymen. Samuel Cross, Henry B. Cushney, James Adcock, Edward B. Cushney, Giles H. F. Van Horne, William Fonda, Richard N. Casler, Gideon R. Casler.

*Parochial.*

Families, 26; Individuals (Adults, 59, Children, 31), 90; Baptisms, Infants, 1; Marriages, 2; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 41, admitted, 1, received, 2, removed, 4, present number recorded, 40, actually communicating, 39; Public Services (Sundays, 74, Holy Days, 5, other days, 16), 95; Holy Communion (public, 14, private, 1), 15; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 92; Catechizing, number of times, 8.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$27.04; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$454.42; Sunday School, \$20.49. Total, \$501.95.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$50; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$9; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$2; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$2; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$2. Total, \$81.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$582.95.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$8,000. Condition of property, fair.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150; number free, all.

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, FORT PLAIN.**

Missionary. The Rev. Charles H. Vandyne.

*Parochial.*

Families, 16; Individuals (Adults, 29, Children, 23), 52; Baptisms, Infants, 5; Communicants, present number recorded, 10, actually communicating, 8; Public Services, Sundays, 25; Holy Communion, public, 6; Sunday School teachers, 4, pupils, 50.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$50; Other Parochial Objects: New Organ, \$100. Total, \$150.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$150.

*Property.*

Church (estimated worth) and Organ, \$200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 75; number free, all.

**CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, CANAJOHARIE.**

Missionary. The Rev. Charles H. Vandyne.

*Parochial.*

Families, 8; Individuals (Adults, 19, Children, 12), 31; Baptisms, Infants, 2; Communicants, admitted, 1, received, 1, present number recorded, 13, actually communicating, 11; Public Services, Sundays, 25; Holy Communion, public, 4.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$175.00.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$181.00.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$100.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300; number free, all.

**Otsego County.****ZION CHURCH, MORRIS.**

Rector. The Rev. Hobart Cooke.

Assistant. The Rev. Ernest A. Hartman.

Wardens. Nelson B. Pearsall, Isaac Mansfield.

Vestrymen. James E. Cooke, James R. Morris, Silas S. Matteson, Chas. J. Smith, George A. Yates, G. Clayton Peck, Czar L. Nearing, A. N. Cruttenden.

*Parochial.*

Families, 140; Baptisms (Adults, 9, Infants, 13) 22; Confirmed, 7; Marriages, 5; Burials, 14; Communicants, last reported, 251, admitted, 7, received, 1, died, 2, removed, 1, present number recorded, 256; Public Services, (Sundays, Holy Days, and other days), 216; Holy Communion (public, 27, private, 3), 30; Sunday School, teachers, 18, pupils, 110.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$86.11; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,158.25; Sunday School, \$40.00; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$129.83. Total, \$2,414.19.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$152.00; Salary of the Bishop, \$50.00; Diocesan Fund, \$36.00; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$25.00; The Child's Hospital, \$50.00. Total, \$313.00.

General.—Domestic Missions (Bishop Tuttle's work), \$40.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,767.19.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$20,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000; Other Property, \$10,650. Total, \$33,650. Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Amount of Salary pledged Assistant Minister, \$600.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 500, free.

*Remarks.*

The above Report in the matter of services, baptisms, confirmations and burials, includes the parishes of Christ Church, Gilbertsville, and Christ Church, West Burlington, which have been included for the year past in one parochial charge under the Rector of Zion Church, Morris.

**ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, UNADILLA.**

Rector. The Rev. Charles Pelletreau.

Wardens. William J. Thompson and Lloyd L. Woodruff.

Vestrymen. D. P. Loomis, F. B. Arnold, A. P. Gray, G. B. Fellows, A. J. Lewis, W. H. Heslop, J. F. Sands. O. Ireland.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 65; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 3), 6; Confirmed 2; Marriages, 1; Burials, 9; Communicants, last reported, 126, admitted, 2, died, 1, removed, 6, present number recorded, 121, actually communicating, about 75; Public Services (Sundays, 92, Holy Days, 4, other days, 33), 129; Holy Communion (public, 22, private, 4), 26; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 40; Catechizing, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$26.01; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$964.83; Sunday School, \$8.11; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$128.82. Total, \$1,127.77.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$45.10; Salary of the Bishop, \$20.00; The Child's Hospital, \$9.92; Other Offerings for objects within the Diocese: Convocation of the Susquehanna, \$15.14. Total, \$90.16.

General.—St. Stephen's College, \$10.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,227.93.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,500; Parsonage and Lot, \$4,500; Other Property, \$300.00. Total, \$10,300. Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.00, and Rectory.

Number Sitzings in the Church, 500, rented.

## CHRIST CHURCH, COOPERSTOWN.

Rector. The Rev. W. W. Lord, D. D.

Wardens. G. W. Ernst, H. Sturges.

Vestrymen. Edward Clark, G. P. Keese, A. A. Jarvis, John Worthington, H. M. Hooker, W. F. Basset, D. A. Avery, F. L. Palmer.

*Parochial.*

Families, 124; Individuals (Adults, 290, Children, 130), 420; Baptisms, Infants, 15; Confirmed, no visitation; Marriages, 4; Burials, 14; Communicants, last reported, 212, died, 8, removed, 16, present number recorded, 188; Public Services, all Sundays, Holy Days, and all Wednesdays and Fridays and Lent; Holy Communion (public every month, Christmas, Ascension, All Saints, private, 2), 17; Sunday School, teachers, 14, pupils, 90; Catechizing, number of children, 75, number of times, 8, in the Church, weekly in the school.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$151.50; Offerings for Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$250.71; Sunday School, \$7.31. Total, \$409.52.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$161.67; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$18.24; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$13.87; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$45.78. Total, \$239.56.

General.—Foreign Missions, \$55.69; Other objects exterior to the Diocese, Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$232.00; Box for Bishop Tuttle, \$250.00. Total, \$537.69.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,186.77.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,400, and Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 420; number rented, 395; number free, 25.

*Remarks.*

The falling off in the Contributions to Missions is due to deaths, removals and the changed circumstances of once liberal contributors.

IMMANUEL CHURCH, OTEGO.

Rector. The Rev. Wm. Chas. Grubbe.

Wardens. Charles Blake, Eugene L. Phillips.

Vestrymen. J. H. Martin, M. D., Wm. H. Wright, Geo. Sherman, Jr., Wm. H. Parker, F. E. Shepherd, John Stilson, Geo. Goodman, W. H. Lines.

*Parochial.*

Families, 18; Individuals (Adults, 54, Children, 8), 62; Communicants, last reported, 33; received 2, removed, 2, present number recorded, 33, actually communicating, 28; Public Services (Sundays, 47, Holy Days, 1), 48; Holy Communion, public, 11.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$291.32.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$3.67; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00. Total, \$9.67.

General.—Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$6.65.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$307.64.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.

*Remarks.*

Salary reduced from \$300 to \$200, reduction taking effect on Oct. 1st, 1878.

ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, WESTFORD.

Missionary. The Rev. Theodore A. Snyder.

Warden. Andrew Snyder.

*Parochial.*

Individuals, 9; Communicants, last reported, 8, present number recorded, 8; Public Services (Sundays, 58, Holy Days, 7, other days, 16), 81; Holy Communion, public, 11.

GRACE CHURCH, CHERRY VALLEY.

Rector. The Rev. Reeve Hobbie.

Wardens. Henry Roseboom, Joseph Phelon.



Vestrymen. Charles McLean, A. B. Cox, A. Brown, A. L. Swan, Philip Wales, George Neal, George Merritt, M. D., C. W. Bronson.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 5), 10; Confirmed, 10; Marriages, 3; Burials, 3; Communicants, last reported, 112, received, 7, died, 1, present number recorded, 118, actually communicating, 80; Public Services (Sundays, once a day, Holy Days, all, other days, 5 times per week in Lent); Holy Communion (public, 27, private, 1), 28; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 60.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$149.63; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$959.58; Sunday School, \$30.67; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$188.71; Other Parochial Objects: Various charities, etc., \$19.75; A particular charity, \$66; For services during Rector's illness, \$38.59. Total, \$1,303.30.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$28.57; Salary of the Bishop, \$25; Diocesan Fund, \$24; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4.35; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$18.94; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese: Convocation of Susquehanna, \$17.65. Total, \$118.51.

General.—Indian Missions, \$20; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$32.50. Total, \$52.50.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,474.31.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), and Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000; insured. Condition of property, very good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 273, all free.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, RICHFIELD SPRINGS.

Rector. The Rev. Charles C. Fiske.

Wardens. N. D. Jewell, M. D. V. Martin.

Vestrymen. Dr. W. B. Crain, A. C. Cole, J. Davenport, J. F. Getman, J. A. Storer, F. O. Brown, W. A. Smith, W. B. Ward.

*Parochial.*

Families, 40; Individuals (Adults, 76, Children, 48), 124; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants 5), 6; Burials, 2; Communicants, last reported, 66, received, 2, died, 2, removed, 4, present number recorded, 58; Public Services (Sundays, 56, Holy Days, 2, other days, 24), 82; Holy Communion, public, 11; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 26.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—At Holy Communion and Offertory, \$623.43; Current Expenses, including Salaries (by subscription), \$195; Sunday School, \$36. Total, \$854.43.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$15. Total, \$27.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$881.43.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$900.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200 ; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

This report is made from the time that I became Rector of the Church, from April 21st, 1878, to January 1st, 1879.

All the Offerings, whether received from the summer visitors at the Holy Communion, or through Offertory, or through subscription, have been placed in the treasury to meet the current expenses of the Church.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, PORTLANDVILLE.**

**Missionary.** The Rev. Theodore A. Snyder.

**Wardens.** George A. Somers, Robert M. Townsend.

**Vestrymen.** Osborn Packer, Hiram C. Cline, Joseph M. Lowe, Cyrenius S. Stevens, Willet Neer.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 3), 6 ; Confirmed, 8 ; Marriages, 3 ; Burials, 3 ; Communicants, last reported, 33, admitted, 7, died, 1, removed, 2, present number recorded, 37 ; Public Services (Sundays, 67, Holy Days, 9, other days, 20), 96 ; Holy Communion, public, 16.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$1.75 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$172.85. Total, \$174.60.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$11.89 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; Diocesan Fund, \$4.24 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$3 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$1 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$2.10. Total, \$27.99.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$202.59.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175 ; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The Rev. James H. Smith was Rector of this parish till May 12th of the present year. The present Missionary took charge of the parish July 1st, 1878. The parish gratefully acknowledges the receipt of three dollars from St. Paul's Chapel, Albany, through Rev. F. O. Granniss.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EAST SPRINGFIELD.**

**Rector.** The Rev. E. Folsom Baker.

**Wardens.** James H. Cooke, Henry H. Davy.

**Vestrymen.** Thomas S. Fitch, M. D., Daniel Gilchrist, Albert Keene, John Scollard, Sheldon A. Young.

*Parochial.*

Families, 16 ; Individuals (Adults, 44, Children, 26), 70 ; Baptisms, Infants, 1 ; Burials, 1 ; Communicants, last reported, 22, received, 1, died, 1, removed, 1,

present number recorded, 21, actually communicating, 15; Public Services (Sundays, 94, Holy Days, 17, other days, 28), 139; Holy Communion, public, 22.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$21.01; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$280.00; Other Parochial Objects: part of debt for building Church, which was assumed by individuals, \$645.00. Total, 946.01.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$25.00; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00; Diocesan Fund, \$6.00. Total, \$37.00.

General.—Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$5.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$988.01.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000. Condition of property, very good.

Indebtedness.—On Church building, a note given by individuals and not constituting a lien upon the property, \$400.00.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.00.

Number Sitzings in the Church, 120; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

Of the \$645.00 reported under "Other Parochial Objects," \$400.00 were raised outside of the parish by the Rector.

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ONEONTA.

Rector. The Rev. J. B. Colhoun.

Wardens. John Cope, Wm. Whyte.

Vestrymen. H. J. Cady, R. Downs (6 vacancies).

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 3), 5; Confirmed, 2; Marriages, 2; Burials, 2; Communicants, last reported, 56, admitted, 2, received, 2, repelled, 1, present number, 59; Public Services (Sundays, 70, other days, 17), 87; Holy Communion, public, 10.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$7.17; Current Expenses, including Salary and arrears of Salary on account, from Oct. 1st, 1875, to Oct 7th, 1878, \$352.40; Other contributions, as per Treasurer's account, \$47.19; Mite Collections for fuel, about \$30.00. Total, \$436.76.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$6.74; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.00; Diocesan Fund, \$3.00. Total, \$15.74.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$452.50.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated cost), \$8,000. Condition of property, good.

Indebtedness.—Mortgage on Church and Lot, about \$3,500; Floating debt about the same as last year.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.00.

Number of Sitzings, about 300; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

This Report is from January to October, 1878, when I resigned the charge of the parish. A number of the Vestry resigned at the same time, whose places have not yet been filled. The parish is heavily weighted with a hopeless mortgage debt of \$3,500 payable in seven equal annual installments, the first of which will be due on February 1st of the present year. The mortgage has been transferred to other hands since the last Conventional Report.

The parochial organization was premature, and at the time of my resignation I earnestly advised the Vestry in the interest of the work, to go back to the former Missionary organization, so as to bring it more under the immediate control of the Bishop, and of the Missionaries nominated by him to the Board.

This step backward would be really to go forward from a right standing point on more solid ground. If approved by the Bishop, I think that it may readily be brought about.

The relations of the Vestry to the Rector have been most cordial, and they have sustained him under great and unusual difficulties during the three years of his administration of the parish.

**Rensselaer County.**

**\*ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. Francis Harison, S. T. D.

Priest in charge of St. Paul's Free Chapel. The Rev. William C. Prout.

Assistant Minister. The Rev. Henry T. Leslie.

*Parochial.*

Individuals, estimated (Adults, 500, Children, 300), 800; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 33), 37; Confirmed, 30; Marriages, 10; Burials, 31; Communicants, last reported, 300, admitted, 30, died, 4, estimated present number, 300; Public Services (Sundays, 162, Holy Days, 74, other days, 579), 815; Holy Communion, Public, 82; Sunday School, teachers, 25, pupils, 320; Parish School, teachers, 5, pupils, 60.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion (Poor Fund, etc.), \$466.13; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$8,426.98; Sunday School, \$511.33. Total, \$9,404.44.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, including Troy Convocation, etc., \$1,495.49; Salary of the Bishop, \$250; Diocesan Fund, \$75; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$150; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$20.05; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$20.05; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$146.80; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$25; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$600. Total, \$2,782.39.

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\*The statistics of St. Paul's Free Chapel are separately reported.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$175; Foreign Missions, \$125; Indian Missions, \$45; Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$35; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$195. Total, \$575.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$12,761.83.

### ST. PAUL'S FREE CHAPEL, TROY.

Priest in Charge. The Rev. William C. Prout.

Committee. John I. Thompson, Walter P. Warren, George S. Bennett.

#### *Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 235, Children, 275), 510; Baptisms (Adults, 7, Infants, 20), 27; Confirmed, 22; Marriages, 4; Burials, 20; Communicants, present number recorded, 135, actually communicating, 118; Public Services (Sundays, 199, Holy Days, 37, other days, 99), 335; Holy Communion (public, 81, private, 6), 87; Sunday School, teachers, 22, pupils, 215; Catechizing, number of children, 215; number of times, 41.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$90.04; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,057.69; Sunday School, \$262.43; Other Parochial Objects: Sewing Society, \$15.72; Industrial School, \$45.53; Guilds, \$23.01. Total \$1,494.42.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$32.14; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$1.45; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$8.22; The Child's Hospital, \$1.50. Total, \$43.31.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$7.19; Foreign Missions, \$5.19. Total, \$12.38.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,550.11.

### TRINITY CHURCH, LANSINGBURGH.

Rector. The Rev. Byron J. Hall.

Wardens. Alexander Walsh, Horace W. Day.

Vestrymen. James McQuide, William R. Burton, Seth P. Welsh, Peter B. King, Charles Dauchy, James Snyder, Jacob Dudden.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, about 200; Individuals (Adults, 500, Children, 250), 750; Baptisms, (Adults, 2, Infants, 12), 14; Confirmed, 9; Marriages, 6; Burials, 14; Communicants, last reported, 175, admitted, 9, received, 2, died, 5, removed, 2, present number recorded, 175, actually communicating, 125; Public Services, Sundays, 110, Holy Days, from Advent to Easter, other days, 4; Holy Communion (public, 16, private, 6), 22; Sunday School, teachers, 27, pupils, about 200; Catechizing, number of children, 150, number of times, 4.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$60.78; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,387.53; Sunday School, \$100; Trinity Guild for Music in Church and for the Poor, \$200. Total, \$2,747.31.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$50; Diocesan Fund, \$25. Total, \$75.  
Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,822.31.

*Remarks.*

Financial troubles have come upon us this year. My people feel very poor. The parish has not given as usual to several objects this year. We hope, with God's blessing, to make the next Report make up for our deficiency this year. We have done all we could, and pay our debts.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. Frank L. Norton.

Assistant. The Rev. Geo. F. Breed.

Wardens. F. N. Mann, Norman B. Squires.

Vestrymen. Benj. H. Hall, Wm. A. Shepard, Geo. T. Lane, Chas. A. McLeod, Dudley Tibbits, Wm. E. Gilbert, Wm. A. Thompson, Thos. A. Tillinghast.

*Parochial.*

Families, 224; Individuals estimated (Adults, 750, Children, 400), 1,150; Baptisms (Adults, 10, Infants, 31), 41; Confirmed, 50; Marriages, 5; Burials, 13; Communicants, last reported, 404, admitted, 48, received, 8, died, 1, removed, 2, present number recorded, 457; Public Services (Sundays, all, Holy Days, all, other days, daily in Lent and Wednesdays and Fridays; Holy Communion (public, 30, private, 7), 37; Sunday School, teachers, 34, pupils, 250; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday; Sewing School, teachers, 5, pupils, 35.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$477.50; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$6,540.21; Sunday School, \$551.70; Other Parochial objects, \$152.78. Total, \$8,222.19.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$266.05; Salary of the Bishop, \$250.00; Diocesan Fund, \$90.00; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$21.92; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$40.10; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$40.10; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$110.68; The Child's Hospital, \$53.24; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$34.29; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$1,151.18. Total, \$4,057.56.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$28.47; Foreign Missions, including Mexico, \$242.89; Indian Missions, \$60.00; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$238.64; Church Home, \$500.00. Total, \$1,070.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$11,696.47.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$75,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$15,000; Other Property, \$1,500. Total, \$91,500. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$3,000 and Rectory.

*Parochial Reports.*

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 700, Chapel, 250.

Pews, number rented, 97, number free, 10.

**CHRIST CHURCH, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. Joseph N. Mulford.

Wardens. George B. Smith, William Kemp.

Vestrymen. Jacob Jacobs, Charles Cleminshaw, Charles N. Stannard, Samuel C. Tappin, Libery Gilbert, Robert G. Smith, Peter Black, William H. Lawton.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 19, Infants, 14), 33; Confirmed, 20; Marriages, 12; Burials, 20; Communicants, last reported, 249, admitted, 20, received, 15, died, 5, removed, 9, present number recorded, 270; Public Services Sundays, 98, Holy Days, 4, other days, 80), 182; Holy Communion, public, 12; Sunday School, teachers, 20, pupils, 240.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$203.40; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,935.49; Sunday School, \$402.14; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$650.50; Church Home, \$165.00; Other Parochial Objects, \$154.00. Total, 5,510.53.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$400; Salary of the Bishop, \$125.00; Diocesan Fund,, \$30.00; The Child's Hospital, \$15.00; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, Special Missionary and Benevolent, \$42.00. Total, \$612.00.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$65.00; Foreign Missions, \$60.00; Indian Missions, \$30.00; Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$5.00; Education of Young Men for the Ministry, \$348.00; Indebtedness of General Missionary Committee, \$75.00; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$127.07. Total, \$710.07.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$6,832.60.

**ST. MARK'S CHURCH, HOOSICK FALLS.**

Rector. The Rev. George Huntington Nicholls.

Assistant. The Rev. John Dolby Skene.

Wardens. Walter A. Wood, James Russell Parsons.

Vestrymen. John G. Darroch, Edward Pattison, Smith A. Skinner, Camp Keller, Stephen W. Barker, James Sloan, Martin D. Greenwood, A. C. Geer.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 12), 18; Confirmed, 13; Marriages, 3; Burials, 9; Communicants, last reported, 144, admitted 18, received, 7, died, 4, removed, 3, present number recorded, 162; Holy Communion (public, 13, private, 3), 16; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 93; Catechizing, number of times, 52.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,000.00; Sunday School, \$151.82; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$250.00; Other Parochial Objects, \$123.60. Total, \$3,525.42.



Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$300.00; Salary of the Bishop, \$26.00; Diocesan Fund, \$45.00; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$5.00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10.00; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$28.00; The Child's Hospital, \$45.00; Education of Theological Students, \$10.00. Total, \$469.00.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$10.00; Foreign Missions, \$5.00; Indian Missions, \$5.00; Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$5.00; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Promoting Christianity among Jews, \$6.00; Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$20.00. Total, \$51.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$4,045.42.

### TRINITY CHURCH, SCHAGHTICOKE.

Rector. The Rev. R. G. Hamilton.

Wardens. Thos. L. Doremus, John J. Wetzel.

Vestrymen. Charles Albro, Edward Searls, Wm. H. Leyfield, Jas. E. Milner, Jr.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 42; Individuals (Adults, 100, Children, 71), 171; Baptisms, Infants, 5; Marriages, 2; Burials, 6; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 41, received, 3, removed, 7, present number recorded, 40, actually communicating 35; Public Services (Sundays, 106, Holy Days, 10, other days, 7), 123; Holy Communion (public, 29, private, 1), 30; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 53; Catechizing, number of children, 35, number of times, 12.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$549.66; Sunday School, \$17.26; Other Parochial Objects: Sinking Fund, \$48.03; Organ, \$43.92. Total, \$658.87.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$20.00; Salary of the Bishop, \$5.00; Diocesan Fund, \$5.00. Total, \$30.00.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$6.00; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$6.71. Total, \$12.71.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$701.58

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,000. Condition of property, very good.

Indebtedness.—Mortgage Debt at 7 per cent, \$2,700.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$400.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; number free, all.

#### *Remarks.*

The Rector returns his grateful thanks for the generous aid afforded him through the Rt. Rev. the Bishop, Rev. Dr. Harison and Thos. A. Tillinghast, Esq., by a few of the Churchmen in the Convocation of Troy. By the aid thus given the mortgage debt of the parish has been reduced \$2,280 during the past year.

**CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, GREENBUSH.**

Rector. The Rev. Edgar T. Chapman.

Wardens. Thomas Fuller, Wm. P. Morgan.

Vestrymen. Kelley Atwood, J. V. B. Teller, John Ruyter, William Ruyter, George Low, George Simmons, John Goold, W. C. Abrams.

*Parochial.*

Families, 70; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 9), 10; Confirmed, 6; Marriages, 1; Burials, 2; Churchings, 1; Communicants, admitted, 6, received, 2, died, 1, removed, 9, present number recorded, 81; Public Services (Sundays, 2, Holy Days, 1, other days, Advent and Lent, 2 services daily); Holy Communion (public, 28, private, 8), 36; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 80; Catechizing, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$42.82; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$525.00. Total, \$567.82.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$13.26; Salary of the Bishop, \$24.00; Diocesan Fund, \$20.00; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$1.69. Total, \$58.95.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$5.00; Foreign Missions, \$5.00; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$15.00. Total, \$25.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$651.77.

**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. James B. Wasson.

Wardens. F. H. Stow, Robert Bainbridge.

Vestrymen. Joseph W. Fuller, Peter Thalimer, Norman B. Squires, Wm. A. Thompson, Caleb Bird, Wm. Colvin, Henry Evans, James Wood.

*Parochial.*

Families, 77; Individuals (Adults, 167, Children, 104), 271; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 12), 15; Marriages, 5; Burials, 11; Churchings, 10; Communicants, last reported, 116, died, 3, present number recorded 124, actually communicating, 75; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 3, other days, 25), 132; Holy Communion (public, 17, private, 2), 19; Sunday School, teachers, 16, pupils, 164; Catechizing, number of children, 150, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$26.78; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,100.00; Sunday School, \$100.00. Total, \$1,226.78.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$10.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,236.78.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$22,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000; the property needs repairs.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church 500, all free.

**FREE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, EAST ALBANY.**

Rector. The Rev. Richard Temple.

Trustees. Rev. Richard Temple, Rev. Frank L. Norton, Thomas A. Tillinghast, J. H. Van Antwerp, Dudley Tibbits, A. H. Tyler, William Anderson.

*Parochial.*

Families and parts of Families, 75; Baptisms, Infants, 13; Marriages, 3; Burials, 10; Communicants, last reported, 92, admitted, 5, died, 3, removed, 9, present number recorded, 85; Public Services, every Sunday and Holy Day; Holy Communion, (public, monthly, etc., private, 3); Sunday School, teachers, 22, pupils, 150.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$31.27; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,078.76; Sunday School, \$50. Total, \$1,160.03.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$5.

General.—Foreign Missions, \$3; Other objects exterior to the Diocese: Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$30. Total, \$33.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,198.03.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth) \$6,000; Other property, \$500. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness.—\$550.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300, all free.

**FREE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. James Caird.

Trustees. F. W. Farnam, Thos. Cordwell, Uri Gilbert, J. J. Gillespy, N. B. Squires, W. A. Thompson, T. A. Tillinghast.

*Parochial.*

Confirmed, 20; Marriages, 5; Burials, 12; Communicants, present number, 180; Public Services (Sundays, 104, other days, 69), 173; Holy Communion (public, 12, private, 2), 14; Sunday School, teachers and officers, 25, pupils, 200.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$19; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,400.91; Sunday School, \$341.07. Total, \$3,760.98.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$122.18; Salary of the Bishop, \$10; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$10; The Child's Hospital (1877), \$10.62; Church Home, \$60. Total, \$212.80.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$25; Foreign Missions, \$25; Evangelical Education Society, \$50; Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$16.82. Total, \$116 82.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$4,090.60.

**St. Lawrence County.****ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, OGDENSBURGH.**

Rector. The Rev. James D. Morrison.

Assistants. The Rev. H. R. Peters, D. D., the Rev. Geo. C. Griswold.

Wardens. Charles Ashley, Louis Hasbrouck, Jr.

Vestrymen. James G. Averill, H. R. James, J. C. Sprague, F. N. Burt, J. D. Judson, James Parker, Stillman Foote.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, (Adults, 1, Infants, 27) 28; Confirmed, 13; Marriages, 13; Burials 28; Communicants, present number estimated, 400, actually communicating, 300; Public Services (Sundays, 3 services, every Holy Day, Morning Service, Sermon and Holy Communion, other days, 100); Holy Communion, public, every Sunday and Holy Day, two Celebrations on Great Festivals, private, many; Sunday School, teachers, 31, average attendance of pupils, 180; on roll, nearly 300, with 105 in the Industrial School; Catechizing, number of times, monthly; St. John's High School, Rev. Geo. C. Griswold, Master, with about 30 pupils. The school is conducted in the school rooms of St. John's Chapel.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, first Sunday of month, \$275; Current expenses, including Salaries, \$6,431.58; Sunday School, \$250; Parish schools, Fees of Pupils; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$12; Orphan House of St. John's, Ogdensburgh, \$152. Total, \$7,120.58.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$628; Salary of the Bishop, \$70; Diocesan Fund, \$54; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$21.63; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$6; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$4; The Child's Hospital, \$37. Total, \$820.63.

General.—Domestic, Foreign, and Indian Missions, \$76; Other objects exterior to the Diocese: Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$122, and several boxes of bedding, etc. Total, \$198.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$8,139.21.

*Property.*

Church, Chapel and Lot (estimated worth) \$100,000. Condition of Property good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,800, and house rent.

Pension paid to the Rev. Dr. H. R. Peters, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 970, in the Chapel, 320; rented and free.

*Remarks.*

Rev. Dr. Peters has several times assisted the Rector in the administration of the Holy Communion. Rev. Mr. Griswold, the teacher of the Chapel School, has also frequently assisted at Morning Service, and has preached on two or three occasions.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WADDINGTON.**

Rector. The Rev. Thomas G. Clemson.

Wardens. Seth J. Dewey, John T. Rutherford.

Vestrymen. Dr. Silas J. Bower, Henry B. Proctor, Samuel Carlisle, William Forsythe, James I. Cook.

*Parochial.*

Families, 32 ; Individuals (Adults, 117, Children, 57) 174 ; Baptisms (Adults 1, Infants, 5) 6 ; Confirmed, 1 ; Marriages, 2 ; Burials, 5 ; Communicants, last reported, 74, admitted, 2, received, 1, died, 4, removed, 2, present number recorded, 71, actually communicating, 70 ; Public Services (Sundays, 120, Holy Days, 25, other days, 4) 149 ; Holy Communion (public, 17, private, 1) 18 ; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 40 ; Catechizing, number of children, 40, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion \$7.90 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$500 ; Sunday School, \$5 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$75. Total, \$587.90.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$24.83 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12 ; Diocesan Fund, \$10.50 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.60 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$2.49 ; Other offerings for objects within the Diocese : Convocation, \$2.88. Total, \$54.30.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$2.24.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$644.44.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth) \$5,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$350.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

The money troubles of the time have been very keenly felt upon the Northern Frontier, and offerings have been withheld to a degree that shows our country is severely poor.

The services in the venerable Church of St. Paul's, Waddington, N. Y., have been maintained regularly. Mission Services have been held alternately at Chase Mills, and a Union Meeting House about four miles distant. Chase Mills is a very promising point, and we have hopes of organizing a Mission there during the coming year.

**CHRIST CHURCH, MORRISTOWN.**

Rector. The Rev. William H. Phillips.

Wardens. E. W. White, Frank Chapman.

Vestrymen. H. Hooker, John Canfield, H. A. Chapman, J. A. Phillips, M. D., E. Kingsland, Wm. Boulton, G. E. Pope.

*Parochial.*

Families, 44 ; Individuals (Adults, 80, Children, 66), 146 ; Baptisms (Adults,

1, Infants, 2), 3; Marriages, 8; Burials, 2; Communicants, last reported, 62, re-admitted, 1, removed, 1, present number recorded, 63, actually communicating, 62; Public Services (Sundays, 110, other days, 2), 112; Holy Communion, public, 13; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 37.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$60; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$545; Sunday School, \$10; Other Parochial Objects, \$65. Total, \$680.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$30; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$3; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$4. Total, \$57.

General.—Yellow Fever Sufferers at Vicksburg, Miss., \$21.25; Nashotah House, \$7. Total, \$28.25.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$730.

*Property.*

Parsonage and Lot, \$1,250. Condition of Property, very good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300.

*Remarks.*

No fit place could be had at Hammond to hold services in, and the services there ceased to be held. Services were held fortnightly for three months at Black Lake, one of the vestry taking me most faithfully to that point, until the state of the roads prevented. Little fruit can come of this Mission work, however, until the people can be visited at their homes; and this the Missionary cannot do without a conveyance, which is also *necessary* for any *aggressive work in the parish*.

## TRINITY CHURCH, POTSDAM.

Rector. The Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D.

Assistant. The Rev. J. R. L. Nisbett.

Wardens. E. W. Foster, T. Streatfield Clarkson.

Vestrymen. Milton Heath, B. Usher, C. O. Tappan, W. A. Dart, Luke Usher, H. D. Thatcher, T. S. Clarkson, Jr., O. G. Howe.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 80; Baptisms (Adults 2, Infants 9), 11; Confirmed, 10; Marriages, 6; Burials, 7; Churchings, 2; Communicants, last reported, 237, admitted, 10, received, 2, died, 1, removed, 58, present number recorded, 190; Public Services, three every Sunday, on all Holy Days, and daily through the year as a rule; Holy Communion (public, 32, private, 22), 54; Sunday School, teachers, 16, pupils, 150; Catechizing, number of times, first Sunday in every month at the "Children's Church."

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$91.50; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,373.72; Sunday School, \$163.56; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$148. Total, \$1,776.78.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$451.77; Salary of the Bishop, \$38; Diocesan

Fund, \$30; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$9.61; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$15; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$7; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$7.18; The Child's Hospital, \$27.05; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$15; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese: Convocation of Ogdensburg, \$29.58. Total, \$630.19.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$38.37; Foreign Missions, \$291; Indian Missions, \$120; Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$122; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$67. Total, \$638.37.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,045.34.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$15,000.00; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,500.00. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.00; Assistant Missionary, \$650.00. Number of Sitzings in the Church, 350, rented.

*Remarks.*

The Mission to Deaf Mutes connected with this parish has been abandoned on account of the removal from the Diocese of the Rev. Dr. G. C. Pennell. The mutes have, accordingly, been transferred to the several parishes and Missions to which they properly belong. This will, in part, account for the large reduction in the number of communicants as reported last year. But it should also be noted that the communicants are year by year transferred to the Missions connected with the parish as these grow in strength. The four at present attached to the parish are all in good condition, as well as the parish itself, which continues, as ever, united and zealous in the cause of the Divine Master.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ASSOCIATE MISSION.**

Priest in Charge. The Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D.

Associate Priest. The Rev. J. R. L. Nisbett.

**ST. JOSEPH'S MISSION, WEST STOCKHOLM.**

Missionary in Charge. The Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D.

Warden. William G. Dove.

Clerk. George Gibson.

Treasurer. A. A. Bartlett,

*Parochial.*

Public Services, Sundays, 20.

This Mission was formally organized by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese in November.

**HANAWA FALLS.**

Missionary in Charge. The Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D.

*Parochial.*

Public Services, 14; Confirmed, 1; Holy Communion, 1; Communicants, 3.



**ST. ANDREW'S MISSION, NORWOOD.**

**Missionary in Charge.** The Rev. J. R. L. Nisbett.

**Warden.** John Raymond.

**Clerk.** J. Rodee.

**Treasurer.** Mab Valley.

*Parochial.*

Families, 19; Individuals (Adults, 34, Children, 18), 52; Baptisms, Adults, 1; Confirmed (at Potsdam), 2; Communicants, last reported, 16, admitted, 2, received, 3, removed, 3, present number recorded, 20, actually communicating, 17; Public Services (Sundays, 12, Holy Days, 4), 16; Holy Communion, public, 4.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, \$5; Other Parochial Objects: Missionary's stipend, one quarter, \$12.50. Total, \$17.50.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$17.50.

Amount of Salary pledged Missionary, \$50.

*Remarks.*

This Mission has always been a dispiriting one because of the want of harmony amongst its members. Some fresh Church members have, however, lately come to reside here, and, with God's blessing, we hope for more abundant harvest, and greater unity in action. We have just been granted the free use of a new firemen's hall, which has been seated for us by Mr. Rodee, the husband of one of our earnest communicants, where we hope now to hold regular services and to start a Sunday school. Three quarters stipend remain unpaid.

**ST. MARY'S MISSION, COLTON.**

**Missionary in Charge.** The Rev. James R. L. Nisbett.

**Lay Reader.** Richard Oates.

**Warden.** Richard Oates.

**Clerk.** J. Wallace.

**Treasurer.** Pelopides Potter.

*Parochial.*

Families, 15; Individuals (Adults, 37, Children, 19), 56; Communicants, last reported, 17, removed, 2, present number recorded, 15, actually communicating, 15; Public Services (Sundays, 12, Holy Days, 3, other days, 22), 37; Holy Communion, public, 12; Lay Services, 27.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, \$11.50; Other Parochial Objects: Donation to Missionary in Charge, \$17. Total, \$28.50.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$28.50.

*Remarks.*

Last July, I obtained the valuable aid of several of my brother clergy, and held a series of special services which began on Sunday, July 21st, and lasted till St. James' Day, July 25th, inclusive. They consisted of a daily celebration of the Holy Communion, a Bible or instruction class, on three of the days, and a special evening service with sermon every day.

Immediate and sudden results were not expected, but one of the desired objects seemed to have been accomplished by removing much of the old prejudice against the Church that still lingered in the minds of some. The services were all extremely hearty, and largely attended from the first, but increased in number each succeeding day.

Our services are held in the summer in the Baptist house, which is not otherwise used, but as it is difficult to heat, the winter services are held in the Town Hall. I endeavor to give them the Holy Communion once in two months, sometimes oftener, and a service every Tuesday evening.

GRACE CHURCH, CANTON.

Rector. The Rev. John T. Pearce.

Wardens. J. Champlin Harison, Sr., W. H. Sawyer, Jr.

Vestrymen. Leslie W. Russell, R. B. Ellsworth, Benj. Lynde, Samuel C. Kerr, Wm. G. Woodruff.

*Parochial.*

Families, 65; Individuals (Adults, 175, Children, 118), 293; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 10), 12; Confirmed, 16; Marriages, 5; Burials, 4; Communicants, last reported, 86, admitted, 11, received, 5, died, 3, removed, 1, present number recorded, 110, actually communicating, 80; Public Services (Sundays, 95, Holy Days, 23, other days, 27), 145; Holy Communion (public, 19, private, 4), 23; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 86; Catechizing, number of children, whole school, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$115.44; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$874.78; Sunday School, \$41.68; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$907.53; Other Parochial objects: Hymnals for Choir, \$9.80; Ladies Aid Society, \$206.00. Total, \$2,155.23.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$86.98; Salary of the Bishop, \$14.00; Diocesan Fund, \$21.00; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$6.46; Increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$4.43; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$4.00; The Child's Hospital, \$15.38; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$9.30; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese: Convocation of Ogdensburgh, \$5.00. Total, \$166.55.

General.—General Missions, \$10.76; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, Sunday School Offering for Domestic Missions, \$10.52; Nashotah Theological Seminary (private gift, \$5.00), \$7.00; Yellow Fever Sufferers, Memphis, Tenn., \$26.42. Total, \$54.70.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,376.48.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$700 and use of Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; number rented, 200, number free, 50.

*Remarks.*

The families reported are those which have two members at least attending the services or Sunday School of the Church.

The number of communicants last reported should have been 98 instead of 86 several names having been omitted from the parish list which ought to have been recorded. This will account for the discrepancy between this and last year's Report.

Of the Communion Alms reported the sum of \$76.51 is included in some of the amounts for Diocesan objects, and \$8.97 in the total for the Current Expenses of the parish.

The total of Sunday School Offerings includes the \$15.38 for The Child's Hospital and the \$10.52 for Domestic Missions.

During the past summer the Church underwent alterations and repairs, and was somewhat enlarged at an expense of \$907.53.

The Ladies Aid Society paid from its fund of \$206 for stained rose window for organ chamber, new carpeting and lamps for chancel and choir, and rebuilding and tuning the organ, \$129.40, which amount is included in the aggregate for Church improvements.

**GRACE CHURCH, NORFOLK.**

Rector. The Rev. James R. L. Nisbett.

Wardens. Sylvester Foord, M. D., Henry A. Wetmore.

Vestrymen. Cassius H. Robinson, F. S. Goff, A. N. Thomson, M. D., Ed. H. Atwater, N. C. Smith, Geo. Carpenter, Ed. Foord, H. F. Allen, Fred. Wetmore.

*Parochial.*

Families, 25; Individuals (Adults, 52, Children, 41), 93; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 6), 8; Confirmed, 5; Marriages, 3; Burials, 3; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 33, admitted, 5, received, 1, removed, 4; present number recorded, 35, actually communicating, 26; Public Services (Sundays, 64, Holy Days, 4, other days, 12), 80; Holy Communion (public, 58, private, 27), 85; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 55; Catechizing, number of children, 23, number of times, 6.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$258.31; Sunday School Expenses, \$3.54. Total, \$261.85.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$10.25; Salary of the Bishop, \$4.00; Diocesan Fund, \$3.00; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.61; The Child's Hospital (from the Sunday School), \$25.00. Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese: Convocation of Ogdensburgh, \$4.01. Total, \$48.86.

General.—Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$2.24.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$312.95.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$250.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

During the past year the parish has done very well. The Ladies Sewing Society has continued its good work as heretofore.

The Sunday School had an average attendance of thirty-three the year round; and it has devoted its offerings to pay for a cot in the Child's Hospital. Their Easter and Christmas Festivals have also been very cheering and happy. A girls sewing society has also been formed and has worked very successfully, its object being to defray the necessary expenses of the Sunday School.

Besides the services recorded above and at my two Missions at Norwood and Colton, I have held at various parishes three celebrations of the Holy Communion, and fourteen public services, besides assisting at a few others.

**TRINITY CHURCH, GOUVERNEUR.**

Wardens. W. H. Bowne, G. B. Winslow.

Vestrymen. B. L. Barney, F. H. Smith, J. M. Spencer, J. W. Barbour, J. McCarty, J. W. Ormiston.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Communion Alms, \$11.29; Sunday School Collections, \$14.21; Paid on Church Debt, \$230.71; Rent of Rectory, \$150.00; Current Expenses, Salaries, etc., \$126.63. Total, \$532.84.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$3.35.

General.—Foreign Missions, \$18.78.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$554.97.

Indebtedness, \$220.29.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200, all free.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MASSENA.**

Rector. The Rev. Joshua N. T. Goss.

Wardens. Henry H. Chittenden, Henry T. Clark.

Vestrymen. Harry F. Crooks, George A. Snaith, John O. Bridges, Joseph E. Clary, James Kirkbride, Howard E. Thompson.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 13, Infants, 15) 28; Confirmed, 28; Marriages, 4; Burials, 9; Communicants, last reported, 75, admitted, 22, received, 1, died, 1, removed, 9, present number recorded, 88, Public Services, (Sundays, 71, Holy Days, 12, other days, 50) 133; Holy Communion (public, 11, private, 2) 13; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 78; Catechizing, number of children, whole school, number of times, 10.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$21.46; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$425.83; Sunday School, \$40.56; Other Parochial Objects: New Organ, \$39.10; Church Window, \$55.51. Total, \$582.46.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$34.25; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$3.19; The Child's Hospital, \$3.90;

Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese: Mission to the Jews, \$1; Convocation Fund, \$2.50. Total, \$50.84.

Total amount of Offerings, \$633.30.

*Property.*

Property (estimated worth), \$350. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 160, all free.

*Remarks.*

Regular Services have been held on Long Sault Island, Sundays, sixteen, week-days, eight, in all, twenty-four; and \$1.34 contributed for the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany.

All other acts, including Confirmations, five, and number of Communicants are reported above.

The Rev. W. J. W. Finlay, Deacon, of the Diocese of Ontario, has been my Assistant since February 24, 1878, to whom must be credited most of the work included in this Report.

**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LISBON.**

Priest in charge. The Rev. J. D. Morrison.

Warden. Andrew O. Neil.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, Infants, 3; Communicants, 12; Public Services, Every Sunday afternoon, weather permitting; Holy Communion, Communicants have received at St. John's, Ogdensburgh; Sunday School, pupils, 40.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$200; Gifts to Clergyman, \$90.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$290.00.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, about 150.

*Remarks.*

The Rector of Ogdensburgh has given such services as he has been able, to St Luke's, Lisbon, during the past year. He has been greatly assisted in this work by Mr. Alex. Matheson, who has not only provided means to enable the Clergyman to reach the Lisbon Church on Sundays, but has himself taken the drive of sixteen miles in fair weather and foul, and has officiated as Lay Reader when the Clergyman was unable to attend. The work at this Mission is most encouraging. If crowded congregations, hearty services, zealous efforts to help themselves to the full extent of their ability, and a growing desire on the part of

many, hitherto identified with sectarians, to follow the old paths of the Catholic Church are reliable evidence, we may predict a hopeful future for St. Luke's, Lisbon.

**TRINITY CHURCH, MORLEY:**

Missionary. The Rev. Charles S. Olmsted.

Warden. Thomas L. Harison.

Treasurer. N. P. Whitney.

Clerk. G. I. Goodell.

*Parochial.*

Families, 61; Individuals (Adults, 175; Children, 80) 255; Baptisms (Adults, 19, Infants, 7) 26; Confirmed, 34; Burials, 6; Communicants, last reported, 44, admitted, 32, received, 2, present number recorded, 78, actually communicating, 74; Public Services (Sundays, 99, Holy Days, 53, other days, 40) 192; Holy Communion (Public, 16, Private, 2) 18; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 66; Catechizing, number of children, 66, number of times, 35.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$27.67; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$621; Sunday School, \$34; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$25. Total, \$707.67.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$55.15; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$15; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4.90; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.58; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$4.77; The Child's Hospital, \$4.30. Total, \$92.70.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$5; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$13.02. Total, \$23.02.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$823.39.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250, all free.

**ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, LAWRENCEVILLE.**

Rector. The Rev. W. M. Cook, S. T. B.

Warden. Wm. Kingston.

*Parochial.*

Families, 37; Individuals (Adults, 100, Children, 25), 125; Baptisms (Adults 3, Infants, 2), 5; Burials, 2; Communicants, last reported, 37, renewed 3, died, 2, removed, 2, present number recorded, 43, actually communicating, 33; Public Services (Sundays, 33, Holy Days, 2, other days, 14), 49; Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 2), 20; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 30; Catechizing number of times, 6.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$35.39; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$150.38; Sunday School, \$16.72; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$74.50; Other Parochial Objects, \$5.00. Total, \$248.30.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$3.78; The Child's Hospital, by the Sunday School, \$1.25; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese: Convocation of Ogdensburgh, \$2.00. Total, \$7.03.

General.—Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$1.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$256.33.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,500. Condition of property, good.

Amonnt of Salary pledged Rector, \$125.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175, all free.

*Remarks.*

The Mission is suffering sadly for want of a resident clergyman and more frequent services. In most other respects it is progressing favourably.

The "Mission" held here in June last by the Rev. the Archdeacon of the Convocation of Ogdensburgh, at the request of the Rector, was productive of much good, and proved what might be accomplished by increasing the number of services.

In connection with this Mission, service has been held three times at Nicholville and once at North Lawrence.

**ST. PHILIP'S MISSION, MADRID.**

Missionary. The Rev. Charles S. Olmsted.

*Parochial.*

Families, 10; Individuals (Adults, 36, Children, 20), 56; Communicants, actually communicating, 14; Public Services (Sundays, 15, other days, 6), 21; Holy Communion, public, 3.

*Offerings.*

Current Expenses, \$28.86.

**Saratoga County.**

**CHRIST CHURCH, BALLSTON SPA.**

Rector. The Rev. Walter Delafield.

Wardens. James W. Horton, Stephen B. Medbery.

Vestrymen. Stephen C. Medbery, Andrew S. Booth, George C. Beecher, John Richards, John Scott, Samuel Haight, William S. Wheeler, William H Phillips.

*Parochial.*

Families, 215; Baptisms (Adults, 21, Infants, 46), 67; Confirmed, 30; Marriages, 10; Burials, 20; Communicants, last reported, 332, admitted, 27, received, 3, died, 6, removed, 27, present number recorded, 335, actually communicating 286; Sunday School, teachers, 16; Parish School, teachers, 2.



*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$94.42; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,333.41; Sunday School, \$151.91; Other Parochial Objects, \$80.82. Total, \$2,660.56.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$100.00; Salary of the Bishop, \$37.00; Diocesan Fund, \$36.00; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$19.48; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$21.95; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$21.77; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$17.00; The Child's Hospital, \$21.07; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$20.11. Total, \$294.38.

**General.**—General Theological Seminary, \$18.37; Domestic Missions, \$61.73; Foreign Missions, \$29.90; Indian Missions, \$46.65; Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$23.83; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Society for the Conversion of the Jews, \$5.42; Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$58.00; Nebraska Divinity Hall, \$65.00. Total, \$308.90.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,263.84.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

**ST. JOHN'S MISSION, EAST LINE.**

Minister in charge. The Rev. Walter Delafield.

*Parochial.*

Families, 31; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 4), 8; Confirmed, 7; Marriages, 3; Communicants, 12.

*Offerings.*

Missionary Stipend, \$72.00; Scholarship in Utah, \$20.00; Conversion of the Jews, \$0.46; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$0.97; The Child's Hospital, \$1.58; Sunday School, \$25.00; Improvement of Church Property \$150; New Organ, \$180.00; Silver Communion Set, \$100.00. Total, \$550.01.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$550.01.

*Property.*

Church Property (estimated worth), \$2,000.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CHARLTON.**

Minister in charge. The Rev. R. T. S. Lowell, D. D.

*Parochial.*

Families, 18; Individuals (Adults, 33, Children, 23), 56; average attendance, 20; Baptisms, Adult, 1; Communicants, 31; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 28.

**GRACE CHURCH, WATERFORD.**

Rector. The Rev. Walter Thompson.

Wardens. James Holroyd, John Higgins.

**Vestrymen.** Joseph B. Enos, John Laurence, Frank Waldron, Joseph Harri-  
man, Emmanuel Mead, William Donald, William Holroyd, Thomas Breslin.

*Parochial.*

Families, 102 ; Individuals (Adults, 171, Children, 105), 276 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 17), 18 ; Confirmed, 10 ; Burials, 4 ; Churchings, 2 ; Communicants, last reported, 96, admitted, 10, received, 24, died, 1, present number recorded, 130, actually communicating, 110 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 10, other days, 62), 176 ; Holy Communion (public, 30, private, 8), 38 ; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 105 ; Catechizing, number of children, 105, number of times, 20.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$104.05 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,400 ; Sunday School, \$75 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$265 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$500. **Total \$2,344.05.**

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$65 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$35 ; Diocesan Fund, \$30 ; The Child's Hospital, \$10. **Total, \$140.**

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$25 ; Foreign Missions, \$10 ; Indian Missions, \$10 ; Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$5 ; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$41.15. **Total, \$91.15.**

**Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,575.20.**

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000 ; Other Property, leases and bonds, \$2,000. **Total, \$12,000.** Condition of Property, in perfect repair.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250 ; number rented, pews, 58 ; number free, 12.

**BETHESDA CHURCH, SARATOGA SPRINGS.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D.

**Wardens.** H. W. Burhans, A. B. Olmstead.

**Vestrymen.** James M. Marvin, P. P. Wiggins, R. C. McEwen, William M. Searing, William Bennett, W. H. Hall, John W. Ehninger, F. G. Vaughan.

*Parochial.*

Families, 204 ; Individuals (Adults, 535, Children, 409), 944 ; Baptisms (Adults, 22, Infants, 58), 80 ; Confirmed, 38 ; Marriages, 22 ; Burials, 33 ; Communicants, last reported, 348, admitted, 44, received, 4, died, 3, removed, 12, present number recorded, 381, actually communicating, 375 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 322, other days, 178), 604 ; Holy Communion (public, 38, private, 21), 59 ; Sunday School, teachers, 36, pupils, including the "Home," 400 ; Catechizing, number of children, 425, number of times, 52.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$237.51 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,618.68 ; Sunday School, \$195 ; Church Debt, \$1,000 ; Other Parochial Objects: Home of Good Shepherd, \$325. **Total, \$5,376.19.**

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$101.56; Salary of the Bishop, \$40; Diocesan Fund, \$36; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$12.50; The Child's Hospital, \$26.04. Total, \$216.10.

**General.**—St. Stephen's College, \$12.40; Foreign Missions, Mexican Church, \$47; Seabury Divinity School, \$21; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Dr. Houghton, for Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$75; Dr. Gallandet, for Deaf Mutes, \$50; Bishop Tuttle, for Work in Salt Lake City, \$34. Total, \$239.40.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$5,831.69.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$50,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$7,000; Other Property, \$3,500. Condition of Property, good.

**Indebtedness.**—"Church debt not far from \$4,000, deducting some money in my hands, not yet applied." From report of P. P. Wiggins, Esq., Church Treasurer.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 850, partly rented and partly free.

#### *Remarks.*

The parish is a unit in all respects, and the people are earnest and loving. Each year witnesses large spiritual growth. Our financial record, gratifying under all the circumstances, would have been much better had not the village banks been forced to close their doors through shrinkage in values. The future, however, is full of promise. The Rector is most grateful to the members of his flock for their substantial tokens of affection bestowed on him during the past year, and indeed ever since he has lived among them.

### ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, SCHUYLERVILLE.

**Rector.** The Rev. George W. Dean, S. T. D.

**Wardens.** Chas. H. Payn, M. D., J. R. Preston, M. D.

**Vestrymen.** George Strover, S. R. Lawrence, Peter Davison, H. V. Shaw, J. Hicks Smith, Richard Rastall, John Knapton, Fred, McNaughton.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 43; Individuals (Adults, 95, Children, 60), 155; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 2), 5; Marriages, 1; Burials, 2; Communicants, last reported, 54, admitted, 2, received, 1, died, 2, removed, 3, present number recorded, 52, actually communicating, 35; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 12, other days, 60), 176; Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 5), 23; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 50; Catechizing, number of children, 25, number of times, 50; Parish School, teachers, 1, pupils, 14.

#### *Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.84; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$760.61; Sunday School, \$12.21; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$45; Other Parochial Objects, \$35.99. Total, \$874.65.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$20; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$12.50; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.76; The Child's Hospital, \$4.53; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$14.27. Total, \$64.06.

**General**—Foreign Missions, \$9.03; Indian Missions, \$1; Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$2.00; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Mission to Jews, \$2.76. Total, \$14.79.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$953.50.

*Property.*

Condition of property, same as last reported.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$450.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The Parish Aid Society has continued its active and useful labors, and has purchased oil cloth and carpets for the Rectory and for the Church. Most of the pupils reported as in the Parish School are really operatives in the factory, and come to a night school at the rectory.

**CALVARY CHURCH, BURNT HILLS.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Reginald H. Barnes.

**Wardens.** Calvin S. Wheeler, Frederick Curtiss.

**Vestrymen.** James P. Smith, Peter Bliss, Ebenezer R. Jones, Wm. H. Wheeler, Ami Van Vorst, Edward K. Wheeler, Charles H. Upham, Levinus Lansing.

*Parochial.*

Families, 46; Individuals (Adults, 109, Children, 74), 183; Baptisms, Infants, 2; Confirmed, 1; Marriages, 2; Burials, 3; Communicants, last reported, 70, admitted, 1, received, 1, died, 3, removed, 1, present number recorded, 68; Public Services (Sundays, 81, Holy Days, 5, other days, 17), 103; Holy Communion (public, 15, private, 1), 16; Sunday School, teachers, 11, pupils, 68; Catechizing, number of children, about 50, number of times, 20.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion (not otherwise reported), \$11.84; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$472.50; Sunday School, addition to Library and Christmas Festival, \$32.00; Improvement of Church Property, \$150; Other Parochial Objects: Furniture in Lecture Hall, \$70.00. Total, \$736.34.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$20.23; Salary of the Bishop, \$12.00; Diocesan Fund, \$4.50; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.79; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5.64; The Child's Hospital, (from Sunday School), \$2.61. Total, \$47.77.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$5.51; Foreign Missions, \$5.50; Indian Missions, \$2.16; Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$2.17. Total, \$15.34.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$799.45.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000.00 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,500.00 ; Other Property, \$1,000. Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$450.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 230, rented.

*Remarks.*

A hall 22x52 feet for general purposes has been built on Church ground, the gift of one individual, but with a reserve of a life interest annuity to the donor.

In *Jonesville*, Town of Clifton Park, a Mission has been established full of promise. Service has been held every Sunday afternoon since May 12th in an upper room of the Academy building, which has been neatly and comfortably fitted up as a chapel by the untiring efforts of a few faithful people. The average attendance at Church service has been seventy and very often over a hundred. A Sunday School has been maintained of twenty-five pupils, and an adult Bible class of eighteen. I have baptised two children. There are at present fourteen communicants, and the Holy Communion has been administered once each month.

**Scheneotady County.**

**CHRIST CHURCH, DUANESBURGH.**

Rector. The Rev. Geo. L. Neide.

Warden. B. M. Duane.

Vestrymen. H. P. Allen, Alex. McDougall, R. W. McDougall, George Matthews, Alex. Van Pelt, J. D. Featherstonhaugh, James Wilkins, Geo. A. Snell.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 6) 7 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 8 ; Communicants, last reported, 80, admitted, 3, died, 3, present number recorded, 80 ; Public Services (Sundays, 110, Holy Days, 17, other days, 12), 139 ; Holy Communion, (public, 30, private, 5), 35 ; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 80 ; Catechizing, number of times, 27.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, \$16.40.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$30 ; of which from Chapel, \$5.65 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$50 ; Diocesan Fund, \$36 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.85. Total, \$120.85.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$6.59 ; Foreign Missions, \$7.43 ; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese : Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$22. Total, \$34.02.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$151.27.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250 ; in Chapel, 180 ; number free, all.

**ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, SCHENECTADY.**

Rector. The Rev. Wm. Payne, D. D.

Wardens. A. A. Van Vorst, S. W. Jackson.

Vestrymen. D. C. Smith, G. S. Maxon, Geo. Curtis, J. E. Davis, W. H. Van Horne, J. A. DeRemer, W. H. Smith, T. W. McCamus.

*Parochial.*

Families, 160; Individuals, 500; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 20), 24; Confirmed, 8; Marriages, 9; Burials, 24; Communicants, last reported, 228, admitted, 8, received, 3, died, 6, removed, 15, present number recorded, 217; Public Services, Sundays, 104, all the Holy Days, and many other days; Holy Communion, (public, 30, private, 5), 35; Sunday School, teachers, 22, pupils, 160; Catechizing, in Sunday School many times.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$112.60; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,885.23; Sunday School, and other objects through Mite Society, \$141.05; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, and other Parochial Objects, \$175.00. Total, \$4,313.88.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$228.65; Salary of the Bishop, \$40.00; Diocesan Fund, \$45.00; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$24.25; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$8.00; The Child's Hospital, \$18.00; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese: Cooperstown Orphanage, clothes, \$16. Total, \$379.80.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$57.60; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$84.00; Bishop Tuttle (for School Children), \$60. Total, \$201.60.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$4,895.28.

**CHRIST CHURCH, SCHENECTADY.**

Rector. The Rev. John H. Rogers.

Wardens. James D. Featherstonhaugh, Bartholomew O'Connell.

Vestrymen. Samuel T. Benedict, David Guy, William C. Baker, William N. Butler, Isaac C. Van Vranken, James E. Curtis, Richard T. Butler.

*Parochial.*

Families, 53; Individuals (Adults, 120, Children, 125), 245; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 8), 10; Confirmed, 2; Marriages, 1; Burials, 6; Communicants, last reported, 87, admitted, 3, received, 15, removed, 14, present number recorded, 91, actually communicating, 91; Public Services, twice each Sunday, except seven when the Church was closed for repairs: Holy Days, On Greater Festivals Morning Service; other days, Wednesday and Friday evenings during Lent, and Friday evenings during a part of the rest of the year; Holy Communion (public, 11, private, 2), 13; Sunday School, teachers, 15, pupils, 100; Catechizing, number of children, 100, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$28.87; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,125; Sunday School, \$32.29; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,400; Other Parochial Objects, \$27.90. Total, \$2,614.06.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$10; Diocesan Fund, \$24. Total, \$34.00.

General.—Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$10.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,658.06.

Indebtedness.—Amount of Mortgage on Church Property, \$1,500.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 180; all free.

**Schoharie County.**

TRINITY CHURCH, SHARON SPRINGS.

Rector. The Rev. J. W. Paige.

Board of Trustees. Rev. Robt. L. Howland, D. D., John H. Gardner, Stephen C. Williams, et al.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, Infants, 7; Marriages, 4; Burials, 3; Communicants, removed, 2, present number recorded, 56; Public Services (Sundays, 124, Holy Days, 4, other days, 20), 148; Holy Communion, public, 14; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 102; Catechizing, number of times, 16.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$76.49; Current Expenses, including Salaries, about \$1,200; Sunday School, \$31; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, about \$1,100. Total, about \$2,376.49.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$5.68; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$1; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$2.51. Total, \$29.19.

General.—Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$7.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,412.68.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$750.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; number free, 200.

*Remarks.*

During the year the Church building of the parish has undergone important alterations and improvements. The stone work has been repointed, the walls richly and artistically decorated, new carpets and cushions have replaced the old, stained glass and memorial windows inserted, and the whole interior radically changed. The Chancel has been improved and beautified by valuable gifts from friends in New York; also, a rich toned and powerful organ purchased to assist in the more fitly rendering of the Church services. The Rector is happy to add that the Church re-opened for services without one dollar of indebtedness.

The branch Mission is still continued at Sharon Hill; the Rector officiating there alternate weeks.



**Warren County.****CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, GLEN'S FALLS.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Russell Asa Olin.

**Wardens.** William Aug. Wait, Leonard G. McDonald.

**Vestrymen.** Henry Crandall, Louis P. Juvet, Daniel Peck, Isaac C. Buswell, John W. Benson, William Robbins, George H. Bassinger, Roger F. Haviland.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 12, Infants, 24), 36; Confirmed, 21; Marriages, 3; Burials, 7; Communicants, last reported, 212, admitted, 20, received, 5, died, 3, removed, 23, present number estimated, 200, actually communicating, 140; Public Services (Sundays, 108, Holy Days, 21, other days, 2), 131; Holy Communion (public, 13, private, 3), 16; Sunday School, teachers, 20, pupils, 170; Catechizing, number of times, 45.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.08; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,039.26; Sunday School, \$125.02; Other Parochial Objects: Rectory Fund by Ladies' Aid Society, \$16. Total, \$2,200.36.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$20.94; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$6.50; Increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$5.21; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$0.50; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$8.11; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5.62; The Child's Hospital, \$10.80; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$17; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese: Bishop's House, \$38.40; Bishop's Travelling Purse, \$8. Total, \$121.08.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$4.28; Foreign Missions, \$9.03; Indian Missions, \$2.77; Home Missions to Coloured Persons, \$6.34; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$47; Collection for Rev. Mr. Bowman (a blind preacher), \$9. Total, \$78.42.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,399.86.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$15,000; Condition of Property, ordinary. Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,600.

\*Number of Sitzings in the Church, 280, in the Chapel at Harrisena, 100; Total, 380.

**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, CALDWELL.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Charles H. Lancaster.

**Wardens.** Hiram Wood, Henry H. Hayden.

**Vestrymen.** George H. Cramer, Frederick Tucker, S. R. Archibald, George Bates, Jerome Hubbel, Kleber Burlingame, Wm. Alston, Jas. Crandal.

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\*The sittings are assigned by a committee, the current expenses being met by weekly subscriptions.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 98, Children, 58), 156; Baptism, Infant, 1; Marriages, 2; Communicants, present number recorded, 50, Public Services (Sundays, 168, Holy Days, 24, other days, 170), 362; Holy Communion (public, 76, private, 4), 80; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 35; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$110; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$943.83; Sunday School, \$15. Total, \$1,068.83.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$10; Diocesan Fund, \$10. Total, \$20.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,088.83.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000. Total, \$15,000. Condition of Property, excellent.

Indebtedness—Mortgage on Rectory, \$1,600.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; all free.

*Remarks.*

A new Rectory has been built this year, on the site of the old one, on the Lake Shore. The building is a very beautiful one, old English in design. In carrying out this work to completion the parish is greatly indebted to Thos. Fuller, Esq., Architect, who not only furnished the designs gratuitously, but gave the whole his constant, personal supervision. Total cost of Rectory, including furnace, water-works, etc., etc., \$3,183.45.

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, WARRENSBURGH.**

Rector. The Rev. William M. Ogden.

Wardens. F. O. Burhans, Henry Griffing.

Vestrymen. George A. Schneider, Moses Sutton, H. B. Hayes, Alphonso Young, B. J. Whitby, S. T. Stevens, Duncan Griffin.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 7), 11; Confirmed, 9; Marriages, 1; Burials, 4; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 98, admitted, 2, received, 3, died, 2, removed, 24, present number recorded, 77, actually communicating, 73; Public Services (Sundays, 156, Holy Days, 50, other days, 44), 250; Holy Communion public, 65, private, 4), 69; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 44.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$927.39; Sunday School, \$42.70; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$44.25; Other Parochial Objects: Rev. A. Prime, \$50; For the Poor, \$60. Total, \$1,124.34.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$51.87; Salary of the Bishop, \$32; Diocesan

Fund, \$24; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.85; The Child's Hospital, \$6.29. Total, \$117.01.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$10.33; Foreign Missions, \$5; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Sisters of St. Mary, Memphis, for Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$22. Total, \$37.83.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,278.68.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 120; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The Associate Mission, by the vote of the Board of Missions, was dropped on October 1st, and Schroom and Chester adopted as independent Stations. They remained, however, under my charge until December 1st. The present Report covers only the work done in Warrensburgh. The difference in the list of communicants, in a great measure, is occasioned by the transfer to the Schroom and Chester lists. Services held in Weavertown, North Creek, and Pottersville, do not appear in this record. The Rev. Mr. Prime, who has been associated with me for the past year, leaves us, to our very great regret, in consequence of the dissolution of the Associate Mission. Its dissolution is the best proof of its marked success, which in so short a time has given to the Church, Chester and Schroom, with their Chapels, as independent Stations. And I desire to put on record my deep sense and thankful recognition of the Divine Blessing which has so signally crowned the work.

**ST. MARY'S CHURCH, LUZERNE.**

Wardens. B. C. Butler, Joseph Wildrey.

*Parochial.*

Families, 9; Baptisms, Infants, 3; Communicants, last reported, 18, removed, 2, present number recorded, 16, actually communicating, 12; Public Services, Sundays, 25; Holy Communion, public, 5; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 8.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2.50; Sunday School, \$8. Total, \$10.50.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$6.25; St. John's Church, Conklingville, \$26. Total, \$32.25.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$42.75.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$450.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

Rectorship vacant. Report made by Senior Warden.

## Washington County.

### ZION CHURCH, SANDY HILL.

Rector. The Rev. Chas. T. Whittemore.

Wardens. Chas. H. Beach, John Beach.

Vestrymen. J. W. Wait, E. H. Crocker, A. B. Davis, C. T. Beach, A. W. Bostwick, B. G. Knapp, Wm. H. Howe, S. H. Parks.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 65; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 11), 13; Confirmed, 9; Burials, 4; Communicants, last reported, 126, admitted, 9, received, 3, removed, 3, present number recorded, 118, actually communicating, 74; Public Services (Sundays, 101; Holy Days, 3, other days, 94), 198; Holy Communion, public, 15; Sunday School, teachers, 13, pupils, 82; Catechizing, number of times, 3.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,008.24; Organist, \$30; Repairs to Organ, \$28; Interest on Church Debt, \$21; Christmas Tree, \$25; New Altar Cloth, \$25. Total, \$1,137.24.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$21.82; Salary of the Bishop, \$80; Diocesan Fund, \$24; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$9.37; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, by Sunday School, \$15.63. Total, \$100.82.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$19.46; Foreign Missions, \$14.29; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$65.00. Total, \$98.75.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,336.81.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000. Condition of Property, fair.

Indebtedness.—\$300.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300; number free, all.

#### *Remarks.*

Besides the regular services at Sandy Hill, Mission services were held at Adamsville every other Sunday during the Summer and Fall.

The inaccuracy in the numbers of communicants is to be accounted for by the fact of a number of people being struck off the list who had ceased for years to communicate.

### TRINITY CHURCH, GRANVILLE.

Rector. The Rev. William M. Pickslay.

Wardens. Palmer D. Everts, J. S. Warren.

Vestrymen. R. C. Betts, George Tobey, J. W. Thompson, George W. Henry, Amos Wilcox.

*Parochial.*

Families, 20; Baptisms (Adults, 11, Infants, 16), 27; Marriages, 4; Burials, 4; Communicants, last reported, 32, died, 2, removed, 3, present number recorded, 24, actually communicating, 20; Public Services (Sundays, 59, Holy Days, 2, other days, 20), 81; Holy Communion (public, 10, private, 3), 13; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 48.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$3.00; Sunday School, \$7.00; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, above \$400. Total, \$410.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$4.51.

General.—Yellow Fever Sufferers, at Memphis, \$4.00.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$418.51.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), about \$5,000.00.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.00.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

This parish had been without a Rector for nine months, when it was placed in my care. The Rev. T. B. Berry resigned in Sept., 1877. I entered upon my duties here Trinity Sunday, June 16th, 1878. The Parish gratefully acknowledges the faithful services of the Rev. J. H. Houghton, of Salem, while it was without regular pastoral care. By his earnest work and hearty encouragement under the divine mercy, the life of the Church was sustained. For two months last spring Mr. Houghton held service in the parish weekly. He baptised eighteen persons, eleven adults, seven children. At North Granville he prepared and presented to the Bishop a class of five persons for confirmation.

In connection with Trinity Church, Granville, there is in my charge a Mission in North Granville. The services are conducted for the most part by Mr. Fred. Thompson, a professor in the N. Granville Military Academy, and also a Candidate for Holy Orders. The Rev. J. E. Hall, of Whitehall, has most kindly assisted me by holding in the place an afternoon service once a month.

The following is the Report of the Mission:

Three professors and twenty-five cadets are members of the Church; Families (outside of the School), 10; Confirmed, 5; Communicants, 19, actually communicating, 15; Public Services, 25; Holy Communion, 5.

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, FORT EDWARD.

Rector. The Rev. Fenwick Mitford Cookson.

Wardens. Walter Rogers, Philander C. Hitchcock.

Vestrymen. Ruel Ruggles, Thomas R. Wade, James Kinne, Francis B. Davis, George W. Little, George Bradley, Ernest Elmore, Levi Olmsted.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 9), 11; Confirmed, 3; Marriages, 2; Burials, 6;

Communicants, last reported, 156, admitted, 2, received, 3, died, 2, removed, 2, present number recorded, 157; Public Services (Sundays, 100, Holy Days, 20, other days, 76), 196; Holy Communion (public, 20, private, 5), 25; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 104; Catechizing, number of children, 104, number of times, weekly.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,349.52; Sunday School, \$69.45; For the Poor, \$19. Total, \$1,437.97.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$69.05; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Diocesan Fund, \$30; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, by Sunday School, \$41.43; The Child's Hospital (by Sunday School), \$19.29; Bishop's House, taxes, etc., \$39; Educational, \$55. Total, \$282.77.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$21.35; Indian Missions, education of Indian boy by Sunday School, \$42.37. Total, \$63.72.

Total Amount of Offerings \$1,784.46.

*Property.*

Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000 and part rental of Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300; number free, all.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, SALEM.**

**Rector.** The Rev. John Henry Houghton.

**Wardens.** James Gibson, Geo. B. McCartee.

**Vestrymen.** John M. Williams, Solomon W. Russell, Frederick Kegler, Albert K. Broughton, Frederick Linsenbarth, Daniel B. Cole, James Gibson, Jr., John D. Faxon.

*Parochial.*

Families, 40; Individuals (Adults, 203, Children, 100), 203; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 18), 21; Confirmed, 5; Marriages, 3; Burials, 6; Churching, 1; Communicants, last reported, 54, admitted, 6, received, 7, removed, 6, present number recorded, 66, actually communicating, 62; Public Services (Sundays, 134, Holy Days, 25, other days, 205), 364; Holy Communion (public, 52, private, 2), 54; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 70; Catechizing, number of children, 70, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$156.91; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$971; Sunday School, \$160; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$868.25; Other Parochial Objects, \$100. Total, \$2,256.16.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$91.75; Salary of the Bishop, \$20.00; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4.40; Increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$1.10; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.75; Fund for Widows

and Orphans of Clergymen, \$2.75; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$9.54; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$22.25. Total, \$154.54.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$25; Foreign Missions, \$25; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Sufferers at the South, \$10. Total, \$60.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$2,460.70.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000. Condition of property, excellent. — Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$750.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; number rented, 100; number free 150.

*Remarks.*

Interesting services are held every other Sunday in a Welsh Chapel, three miles from the Parish Church. Communion celebrated on the 1st Sunday at 10 o'clock, on the third, at 7:30, and on all Saints' and Holy Days in the Parish Church. Three services every Friday, and two on Wednesday. Temporary suspension of latter during two months of coldest winter. Sewing School opened with fifty scholars and seven teachers. First Harvest Home Festival, Sept. 10.

TRINITY CHURCH, WHITEHALL.

Rector. The Rev. James E. Hall.

Wardens. James A. Conery, Henry Greenough.

Vestrymen. H. W. Dickenson, James Adams, Jr., Richard Edmonds, Edward Hepson, H. Morris, T. A. Patterson, Jeremiah Adams, W. F. Bascom.

*Parochial.*

Families, 90; Individuals (Adults, 220, Children, 125), 345; Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 15), 20; Confirmed, 16; Marriages, 2; Burials, 9; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 94, admitted, 18, died, 3, removed, 10, present number recorded, 99, actually communicating the last year, 95; Public Services (Sundays, 110, Holy Days, 78, other days, 21), 209; Holy Communion (public, 28, private, 7), 35; Catechizing, number of children, whole school; number of times, monthly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$85.78; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,200; Sunday School, \$48. Total, \$1,333.78.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$49.50 (\$45 from Communion Alms, as above); Salary of the Bishop, \$14; Diocesan Fund, \$27; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.28; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$1.28; The Child's Hospital, \$3.55; Other Offerings for objects within the Diocese: Convocation of Troy, \$3.90. Total, \$55.51.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$12.26; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese: Yellow Fever Sufferers, \$15.25. Total, \$27.51.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,416.79.



*Property.*

h and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000; Condition of Property, good.  
in the Church, free.

*Remarks.*

h Sunday I celebrated the Holy Communion at North Granville.  
e second Sunday of each month, beginning with October, I have held a  
at the same place at 2:30 p. m.  
ork for the Church in the Boy's School established there, cannot be over  
d. The distance prevents a more frequent service on my part.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

r. The Rev. J. B. Trevett.

ens. Henry C. Day, Robert Davis.

ymen. William H. Hoyt, J. Fenimore Niver, M. D., Charles T. Hawley,  
an Deuel, Thomas L. Grys.

*Parochial.*

es, 25; Individuals (Adults, 62, Children, 55), 117; Burials, 4; Com-  
ts, last reported, 53, received, 5, died, 1, removed, 1; present number  
, 56; actually communicating, 55; Public Services (Sundays, 16, Holy  
other days, 1), 26; Holy Communion, public, 5; Sunday School, teachers,  
, 37; Catechizing, number of children, 25; number of times, 3.

*Offerings.*

ial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$426.94; Sunday School,  
Other Parochial Objects: Christmas Tree, \$30.50, Ladies Offerings,  
Total, \$502.79.

an.—Diocesan Missions, \$12; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan  
.0.60. Total, \$28.60.

al.—Mite Boxes, \$4.43.

Amount of Offerings, \$535.82.

*Property.*

and Lot (estimated worth), \$7,500. Condition of Property, good.

edness.—Organ, \$125; Rectory Lot, \$470.

it of Salary pledged Rector, \$400.

or of Sitzings in the Church, 250; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

eport dates back only to September 29, 1878, at which time I became  
or of the parish. According to a suggestion made at the last Convention,  
for Service are appended to this Report:

ndays in the Summer, 10:30 A. M. and 5 P. M.; On Sundays in the  
1 A. M. and 5 P. M.; On Saints' Days and other week days, 10 A. M.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GREENWICH.**

Warden. John T. Masters.

No services have been held in the Church during the past year.

**REPORT OF THE CHURCH HOME IN THE CITY OF TROY.**

*To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany :*

The following statement of the affairs of the Church Home is respectfully submitted :

There were on the first of January, 1878, eleven inmates of the Home ; but two of these are able to spend their time elsewhere, retaining the privilege of coming back, when circumstances render it desirable for them to do so. Three others have been admitted during the year, and one, Mrs. Mina Eliza Hart, departed this life on the last Sunday in Advent, at the age of 82 years. The present number is therefore thirteen.

- It may be stated for the information of some, that the government of the Home is vested in a board of fifteen trustees, including the clergy of the four older Churches of the city. They are incorporated by a special act of the Legislature, giving them ample powers to carry on any kind of charitable work. There is thus provided every possible guaranty for the security of any gifts or bequests that may be intrusted to the Home. The trustees have associated with themselves an auxiliary committee of ladies from each congregation of our Church in the city ; and to them the Home is indebted, not only for the advice and assistance which they give to the matron, but for substantial aid in carrying on the work. The present matron, Mrs. Putnam, who has held her office nearly two years, commends herself to the approbation of all who are connected in any way with the institution. As to the character of the Home, and the provision which it makes for the comfort and happiness of its inmates, it may be allowed to speak for itself to those friends who will take the trouble to go over it.

In addition to the building and grounds, on the north-east corner of Broadway and Seventh street, the Home has a permanent fund of \$7,275, the interest of which is used for its support. For the remainder of its wants it depends on the Church people of the city. The cost of maintaining the Home, with the present number of inmates, is about \$1,900 a year, which is thought to be a very moderate sum, when its comforts and abundance are considered. Under these circumstances the Church people of Troy are asked to provide for the support of this, their only united work, by annual subscriptions according to their ability ; and the interest and sympathy of the Bishop, and of the clergy and laity of the city, are earnestly invoked, in order that the Church Home may be carried on with continued and increasing usefulness.

JOSEPH W. FULLER, *President.*

TROY, January 15, 1879.

(C.)

PERSONAL REPORTS.

*To the Rt. Rev. WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S. T. D. :*

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop*—I beg leave to report that I have no Parochial cure. I have been engaged the past year in teaching an English and Classical School in this place. I have been occupied most of the Sundays in assisting somewhat the Rector of this parish in his services, and have occasionally supplied the places of the Rectors of the neighbouring parishes of Fort Edward and Glen's Falls.

Very respectfully,

SANDY HILL, *January 13, 1879.*

SAMUEL B. BOSTWICK.

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, *December 31, 1878.*

*To the Rt. Rev., the Bishop of Albany :*

I resigned my charge at Grass Valley on the fifth day of June last. Since that date, finding myself unequal to the duties and cares of a cure, I have been rendering such assistance as I could to the Rector of Trinity Church, San Jose ; reading portions of the Morning and Evening Prayers on each Sunday.

All which is respectfully submitted,

EDWARD PIDSLEY.

The Rev. W. A. Rich, Missionary for Cranberry Lake and parts adjacent residing in Canton, St. Lawrence county, was unavoidably absent from home, during the first half of the year. He was at Clifton and Cranberry Lake during the month of August, and this, with two brief visits in November, and a week spent there at the beginning of this month (January) is all the time that he has been able to devote to his missionary ground since his last Report.

While in New York city, last spring, he, on one occasion, assisted the Rev. W. D. Walker, at Calvary Chapel, in the celebration of the Holy Communion.

BISHOP'S HOUSE,

FOND DU LAC, WIS., *Jan. 2, 1879.*

*Right Rev. Father.*—My resignation as Rector of St. John's Church, Portlandville, took effect May 14th, 1878. From that date to June 2nd, I assisted in divine service at different times, in Christ Church, Hudson, Diocese of Albany ; St. Luke's Church, St. Mary's Church, Caroline Church, Setauket, Diocese of Long Island ; and St. Phillip's Church, Newark, Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

On the 7th of June I assisted the Bishop of Fond du Lac at evening prayer in St. Paul's Cathedral, Fond du Lac, and on Whitsunday celebrated Holy Eucharist, and preached in the morning, and assisted at Evening Prayer, in Christ Church, Green Bay, Diocese of Fond du Lac. From June 10 to Oct. 11, both inclu-

sive, I had temporary charge of Christ Church, Green Bay, the Rector being absent.

From the latter date to the present time, I have on several occasions held divine service or assisted therein, and have performed several official acts in the same diocese, having my residence at the hospitable mansion of the Bishop.

The official acts above mentioned, and others performed in Caroline Church, Setauket, appear in the Registers of the parishes in which they occurred.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Very truly, yours,

JAMES H. SMITH.

*To the Right Reverend WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S. T. D.,  
Bishop of Albany.*

GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY,  
NEW YORK, *January 30, 1879.*

*Right Rev. Father.*—I have the honor to report that I have continued my studies at this Seminary, and am now reciting with the Senior class. All the parochial work that I have done has been in the various departments of the Church of the Transfiguration, under the direction of the Rector, the Rev. Geo. H. Houghton, D. D.

Your obedient servant,

ALEXANDER McMILLAN.

PARISH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,  
STOCKPORT, N. Y., *January 14th, 1879.*

*To the Rt. Rev. WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S. T. D., Bishop of Albany.*

*Rt. Rev. Sir.*—I have assisted the Rector, the Rev. George Fisher, in the various services of the year past.

Respectfully yours,

W. BENJAMIN REYNOLDS,  
*Deacon.*

GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY,  
NEW YORK, *January 30, 1879.*

*To the Rt. Rev. WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S. T. D., Bishop of Albany.*

*My dear Bishop.*—Besides my work at the Seminary, as ministerial work during the spring of 1878, I officiated as assistant to the Rev. E. D. Cooper, of Astoria, L. I.

During the summer recess you placed me in charge of two Missions in Greene county, under the Rev. Robert Weeks of Catskill.

At Palenville, occasionally I held services myself, but usually depended on visiting clergy. During this time under my direction there were eleven services held, at one of which the Holy Communion was celebrated.

At the other station, Tannersville, I held or caused to be held, twenty-two services, at seven of which by the kindness of visiting priests, the Holy Communion was celebrated. At one evening service I baptized four children. While at this place I raised from voluntary subscription, principally from the boarders,

sufficient funds to procure a communion set and proper altar linen, which was given in charge of Mrs. Hemsley for the prospective Mission.

Early in September I resumed my Seminary work, and shortly after was appointed Missionary at Arlington by the Bishop of Northern New Jersey, which however I was obliged to resign on account of sickness.

Yours respectfully,  
SCOTT B. RATHBUN.

*To the Rt. Rev. WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S. T. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Albany.*

OGDENSBURGH, N. Y., Jan. 25, 1879.

The Rev. Geo. C. Griswold desires respectfully to report that, in addition to constant and laborious duty as Master of St. John's High School, he has officiated on most Sundays, by rendering assistance when at home to the Rector of St. John's Church; and, when absent, has ministered at Brockville, Prescott and Ottawa, Canada, and at Lisbon, N. Y.; also during vacation last summer was engaged on nearly every Sunday, most of the time in or near New York city, taking charge during August of the Sunday ministrations at St. Barnabas' Home, Mulberry St., under the auspices of the City Missions of our Church, to supply the temporary absence of the Missionary in charge.

St. John's High School has from a small beginning largely increased in numbers.

GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY,  
NEW YORK, January 28th, 1879.

From September to June, 1877-1878, I was at the General Theological Seminary. In June, in accordance with the Bishop's direction, I went to Stockport, Col. Co., N. Y., and remained there until September, assisting the Rev. Mr. Fisher in his work at Stockport and Stottville. Beginning on Trinity Sunday, June 16th, and ending with the 12th Sunday after, September 9th, I had two services with a sermon each Sunday, alternating with Mr. Fisher between the Church at Stockport and the Chapel at Stottville. Besides this, I catechized the Sunday school children each Sunday. On all Saints' Days we had services at Stottville, and toward the end of the summer I held there a Wednesday evening service with a lecture. I had one private baptism, of an infant.

On September 16th I returned to my work at the Seminary, and since then have done little ministerial work beyond supplying vacancies from Sunday to Sunday, and assisting Rev. Mr. Cooper of Astoria, L. I., on the 1st and 3d Sunday of each month. On October 9th I read the marriage service and married two persons.

Yours respectfully,  
B. R. KIRKBRIDE.

*To the Bishop of Albany:*

The Rev. John Townsend would respectfully report, that since his very recent return to the Diocese he has not engaged in regular Priestly work. He has married one couple, and officiated at one burial, both of which services were recorded in St. Paul's Parish, Albany. Besides these he has rendered assistance to several of the Parochial clergy, as circumstances have suggested.

**(D.)****LIST OF PARISHES IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY, WITH THE DATES OF THEIR ADMISSION.****ALBANY COUNTY.**

St. Peter's, Albany, 1787 ; Trinity, Rensselaerville, 1811 ; St. Paul's, Albany, 1829, with St. Paul's Chapel, Albany ; St. John's, Cohoes, 1831 ; Trinity, West Troy, 1834 ; Trinity, Albany, 1840 ; Grace, Albany, 1846 ; Holy Innocents, Albany, 1850 ; St. Mark's, Green Island, 1867 ; Cathedral of All Saints, Albany, 1874.

**CLINTON COUNTY.**

Trinity, Plattsburgh, 1830 ; Christ, Rouses Point, 1853 ; St. John's, Champlain, 1853.

**COLUMBIA COUNTY.**

Christ, Hudson, 1794, with All Saints' Chapel, Hudson ; St. John's, Stockport, 1845, with St. Barnabas' Chapel, Stottville ; St. Paul's, Kinderhook, 1851 ; St. John's, Copake, 1853 ; Trinity, Claverack, 1856.

**DELAWARE COUNTY.**

St. Peter's, Hobart, 1796 ; St. John's, Delhi, 1822 ; Christ, Walton, 1831 ; St. Paul's, Franklin, 1866 ; Christ, Deposit, 1871.

**ESSEX COUNTY.**

Of the Cross, Ticonderoga, 1840 ; St. John's, Essex, 1853 ; St. Paul's, Keeseville, 1853 ; Christ, Port Henry, 1873.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY.**

St. Mark's, Malone, 1831 ; St. Peter's, Brush's Mills, 1870 ; St. John's, Chateaugay, 1875.

**FULTON COUNTY.**

St. John's, Johnstown, 1796.

**GREENE COUNTY.**

St. Luke's, Catskill, 1801 ; Christ, Coxsackie, 1806 ; Trinity, Athens, 1806 ; St. Paul's, Oak Hill, 1816 ; Christ, Greeneville, 1825 ; Trinity, Windham, 1826 ; Calvary, Cairo, 1832.

**HERKIMER COUNTY.**

Trinity, Fairfield, 1807 ; Grace, Norway, 1819 ; Emmanuel, Little Falls, 1828 ; Christ, Herkimer, 1854 ; St. Augustine's, Ilion, 1870.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY.**

St. Ann's, Amsterdam, 1836; Zion, Fonda, 1867.

**OTSEGO COUNTY.**

:Zion, Morris, 1793; St. Luke's, Richfield, 1803; St. Matthew's, Unadilla, 1810; Christ, Cooperstown, 1812; Christ, Butternuts, 1834; Immanuel, Otego, 1836; St. Timothy's, Westford, 1839; St. Mark's, Garrattsville, 1843; Grace, Cherry Valley, 1846; St. John's, Richfield Springs, 1850; St. John's, Portlandville, 1869; Christ, West Burlington, 1871; St. Paul's, East Springfield, 1871; St. James', Oneonta, 1877.

**RENSSELAER COUNTY.**

St. Paul's, Troy, 1807, with St. Paul's Chapel, Troy; Trinity, Lansingburgh, 1807; St. John's, Troy, 1881; Christ, Troy, 1837; St. Mark's, Hoosick Falls, 1840; Trinity, Schaghticoke, 1846; Messiah, Greenbush, 1853; St. Luke's, Troy, 1867.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY.**

St. John's, Ogdensburgh, 1820; St. Paul's, Waddington, 1824; Christ, Morris-town, 1833; Trinity, Potsdam, 1835; Grace, Canton, 1836; Grace, Norfolk, 1844; Trinity, Gouverneur, 1869; St. John's, Massena, 1870; St. Luke's, Lisbon, 1871.

**SARATOGA COUNTY.**

Christ, Ballston Spa, 1787; St. John's, Stillwater, 1796; St. Paul's, Charlton, 1805; Grace, Waterford, 1810; St. Luke's, Mechanicville, 1830; Bethesda, Saratoga Springs, 1830; St. Stephen's, Schuylerville, 1846; Calvary, Burnt Hills, 1850.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY.**

Christ, Duaneburgh, 1789; St. George's, Schenectady, 1792; Christ, Schenec-tady, 1869.

**WARREN COUNTY.**

Messiah, Glens Falls, 1840, with St. Paul's Chapel, Harrisena; St. James', Caldwell, 1855; Holy Cross, Warrensburgh, 1865; St. Mary's, Luzerne, 1867.

**WASHINGTON COUNTY.**

Zion, Sandy Hill, 1813; Trinity, Granville, 1815; St. James', Fort Edward, 1845; St. Paul's, Salem, 1860; Trinity, Whitehall, 1866; St. Luke's, Cambridge, 1867; St. Paul's, Greenwich, 1875.

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**WARREN COUNTY.**

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**PARISHES NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.****COLUMBIA COUNTY.**

St. Luke's, Clermont, incorporated July 12, 1859; Church of our Saviour, New Lebanon, incorporated May, 1871.

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BISHOP'S SALARY ASSESSMENTS, 1878.

DIOCESE OF ALBANY.

	Parishes.	Assessed.	Paid.	Due.
<b>ALBANY CO. :</b>				
Albany .....	All Saints' Cathedral .....	\$150 00	\$150 00	
do .....	St. Peter's .....	150 00	150 00	
do .....	St. Paul's .....	100 00	100 00	
do .....	Trinity .....	20 00	20 00	
do .....	Grace .....	24 00	24 00	
do .....	Holy Innocents .....	20 00		\$20 00
Green Island .....	St. Mark's .....	10 00	10 00	
Rensselaerville .....	Trinity .....	6 00		6 00
West Troy .....	Trinity .....	22 00	22 00	
Cohoes .....	St. John's (Bond) .....			
<b>CLINTON CO. :</b>				
Champlain .....	St. John's .....	12 00		12 00
Plattsburgh .....	Trinity .....	25 00	25 00	
Rouses Point .....	Christ .....	12 00	12 00	
<b>COLUMBIA CO. :</b>				
Copake .....	St. John's .....	12 00		12 00
Claverack .....	Trinity .....	6 00		6 00
Clermont .....	St. Luke's .....	6 00	6 00	
Stockport .....	St. John's .....	50 00	50 00	
Hudson .....	Christ .....	50 00	50 00	
Rinderhook .....	St. Paul's .....	26 00	26 00	
Labanon Springs .....	Our Saviour .....	12 00		12 00
<b>DELAWARE CO. :</b>				
Delhi .....	St. John's .....	20 00	20 00	
Deposit .....	Christ .....	6 00	6 00	
Franklin .....	St. Paul's .....	26 00		26 00
Hobart .....	St. Peter's .....	12 00		12 00
Walton .....	Christ .....	20 00	20 00	
<b>ESSEX CO. :</b>				
Essex .....	St. John's .....	12 00	12 00	
Asable Forks .....	St. James' .....	16 00	16 00	
Keeseville .....	St. Paul's .....	10 00	5 00	5 00
Ticonderoga .....	Ch. of the Cross .....	8 00	8 00	
Port Henry .....	Christ .....	8 00	6 00	
<b>FRANKLIN CO. :</b>				
Brush's Mills .....	St. Peter's .....	8 00	8 00	

## BISHOP'S SALARY ASSESSMENTS—Continued.

	Parishes.	Assessed.	Paid.	Due.
<b>FRANKLIN Co.:</b>				
Malone.....	St. Mark's.....	\$30 00	\$30 00	
Hogansburgh.....	St. James'.....	6 00	6 00	
Chateaugay.....	St. John's.....	6 00		\$6 00
<b>FULTON Co.:</b>				
Johnstown.....	St. John's.....	40 00	40 00	
Northampton.....	Redeemer.....	6 00		6 00
<b>GREENE Co.:</b>				
Athens.....	Trinity.....	20 00		20 00
Catskill.....	St. Luke's.....	20 00	20 00	
Cairo.....	Calvary.....	6 00	6 00	
Coxsackie.....	Christ.....	12 00		12 00
Greeneville.....	Christ.....	12 00	12 00	
Oak Hill.....	St. Paul's.....	25 00		\$25 00
Asbland.....	Trinity.....	6 00	6 00	
<b>HERKIMER Co.:</b>				
Fairfield.....	Trinity.....	12 00	12 00	
Herkimer.....	Christ.....	12 00	12 00	
Ilion.....	St. Augustine's.....	10 00	10 00	
Little Falls.....	Emmanuel.....	20 00	10 00	*20 00
Norway.....	Grace.....	6 00	6 00	
<b>MONTGOMERY Co.:</b>				
Amsterdam.....	St. Ann's.....	20 00		20 00
Fonda.....	Zion.....	12 00	12 00	
Canajoharie.....		6 00	6 00	
<b>OTSEGO Co.:</b>				
Butternuts.....	Christ.....	12 00	12 00	
Cooperstown.....	Christ.....	20 00	20 00	*20 00
Cherry Valley.....	Grace.....	25 00	25 00	
Morris.....	Zion.....	50 00	25 00	*25 00
Otego.....	Immanuel.....	12 00		12 00
Oneonta.....	St. James'.....	6 00		*6 00
Portlandville.....	St. John's.....	6 00	3 00	*3 00
Richfield Springs.....	St. John's.....	12 00	12 00	
Richfield.....	St. Luke's.....	6 00		6 00
Springfield.....	St. Paul's.....	6 00		*6 00
Unadilla.....	St. Matthew's.....	20 00	20 00	
West Burlington.....	Christ.....	6 00		6 00
<b>RENSSELAER Co.:</b>				
Troy.....	St. Paul's.....	250 00	250 00	
do.....	St. John's.....	250 00	250 00	
do.....	Ascension.....	10 00	10 00	
do.....	Christ.....	125 00	125 00	
do.....	St. Luke's.....	10 00	10 00	
do.....	Holy Cross.....	100 00	10 00	90 00
Greenbush.....	Messiah.....	24 00		*24 00
Hornick Falls.....	St. Mark's.....	26 00	26 00	
Lansingburgh.....	Trinity.....	50 00		*50 00
Harts Falls.....	Trinity.....	6 00		*6 00
East Albany.....	Epiphany.....	6 00	6 00	
<b>SARATOGA Co.:</b>				
Ballston.....	Christ.....	27 00	27 00	
Burnt Hills.....	Calvary.....	12 00	12 00	
Charlton.....	St. Paul's.....	6 00		6 00
Mechanicville.....	St. Luke's.....	14 00		14 00
Saratoga.....	Bethesda.....	40 00	40 00	
Schuylerville.....	St. Stephen's.....	6 00	6 00	
Waterford.....	Grace (Bond).....			
<b>SCHENECTADY Co.:</b>				
Duanesburgh.....	Christ.....	70 00		*70 00
Schenectady.....	Christ.....	10 00	10 00	
do.....	St. George's.....	40 00	40 00	
<b>SCHOMARIE Co.:</b>				
Middleburgh.....	St. Luke's.....	6 00	6 00	
Sharon Springs.....	Trinity.....	20 00	10 00	*10 00
<b>ST. LAWRENCE Co.:</b>				
Canton.....	Grace.....	14 00	14 00	

## BISHOP'S SALARY ASSESSMENTS — Continued.

	Parishes.	Assessed.	Paid.	Due.
<b>St. Lawrence Co.:</b>				
Gouverneur .....	Trinity .....	\$30 00		\$30 00
Massena .....	St. John's .....	5 00	35 00	
Morristown .....	Christ .....	20 00	10 00	10 00
Ogdensburgh .....	St. John's .....	70 00	70 00	
Potsdam .....	Trinity .....	28 00	28 00	*15 70
Waddington .....	St. Paul's .....	12 00	12 00	
Morley .....	Trinity .....	5 00	5 00	
Lisbon .....	St. Luke's .....	5 00		5 00
<b>Warren Co.:</b>				
Bolton .....	St. Sacrament .....	10 00	10 00	
Caldwell .....	St. James' .....	10 00		10 00
Glens Falls .....	Messiah .....	24 00	24 00	
Luzerne .....	St. Mary's .....	5 25	5 25	
Warrensburgh .....	Holy Cross .....	28 00	28 00	
Conklingville .....	St. John's .....	5 00	5 00	
<b>Washington Co.:</b>				
Cambridge .....	St. Luke's .....	5 00	5 00	
Fort Edward .....	St. James' .....	20 00	20 00	
Salem .....	St. Paul's .....	20 00	20 00	
Sandy Hill .....	Zion .....	20 00	20 00	
Whitehall .....	Trinity .....	14 00	14 00	
Total assessments and payments .....		\$2,958 25	\$2,899 55	\$588 70

\* Paid since the close of this report.

† Paid \$40.00.

‡ Paid \$80.00.

## AMOUNTS RECEIVED FROM PARISHES.

*Due from year 1877. Paid since close last report.*

Albany, Trinity .....	\$10 00	
Hogansburgh, St. James' .....	5 00	
Troy, Holy Cross .....	100 00	
Duanesburgh, Christ .....	25 00	
Sharon Springs, Trinity .....	10 00	
Caldwell, St. James' .....	10 00	
Herkimer, Christ .....	5 00	
		\$175 00
Morristown, Christ .....	\$20 00	
Rouse's Point, Christ .....	5 00	
Hudson, Christ .....	51 00	
Ilion, St. Augustine's .....	10 00	
Morris, Zion .....	50 00	
Richfield Springs, St. John's .....	12 00	
		120 00

1878, Assessments Paid .....

Balance in Secretary's hands close of last report .....

1878.									
March	30.	To cash remitted, J. H. Van Antwerp .....		\$397 68					\$2,958 18
"	30.	" .....		178 00					
July	8.	" .....		876 00					
October	12.	" .....		500 00					
"	20.	" .....		220 00					
1879.									
January	1.	" .....		654 26					
"	2.	" .....		120 00					
"		" .....		75 00					
"		" .....		294 08					
									\$3,900 18

Troy, January 9, 1879.  
B. & O. H.

For the Committee,  
J. J. TILLINGHAST, Secretary.



DELAWARE COUNTY.								
St. John's, Delhi.....	116 00	.....	...	....	....	....	....	....
ESSEX COUNTY.								
St. John's, Essex.....	50 00	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....
St. Paul's, Keeseville.....	60 00	.....	3 89	....	....	....	....	....
FRANKLIN COUNTY.								
St. Peter's, Brush's Mills.....	12 00	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....
St. Mark's, Malone.....	200 00	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....
FULTON COUNTY.								
St. John's, Johnstown.....	50 00	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Redeemer, Northampton.....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....
GREENE COUNTY.								
Trinity, Athens .....	200 00	40 00	10 00	....	....	....	....	....
St. Luke's, Catskill.....	420 32	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Christ, Coxsackie.....	100 00	25 00	....	....	....	....	....	....
Christ, Greeneville .....	87 00	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Trinity, Windham .....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....
HERKIMER COUNTY.								
Christ, Herkimer.....	200 00	30 00	15 00	....	....	....	....	....
Emmanuel, Little Falls .....	550 00	.....	23 50	....	....	....	....	....
MONTGOMERY COUNTY.								
St. Ann's, Amsterdam .....	229 40	225 00	....	....	....	....	....	....

*Contributions of Parishes to the Fund for the Endowment of the Biscopate.—(Continued.)*

	1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.	1875.	1876.	1877.	1878.	1879.
OTSEGO COUNTY.												
Christ, Butternuts.....	\$50 00	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grace, Cherry Valley.....	435 00	.....	...	...	1,000	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Christ, Cooperstown.....	800 00	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Zion, Morris.....	500 00	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. John's, Portlandville.....	10 00	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Christ, West Burlington.....	30 00	.....	...	...	2 00	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. John's, Richfield Springs.....	.....	\$14 53	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
RENSSELAER COUNTY.												
Messiah, Greenbush.....	250 00	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Mark's, Hoosick Falls.....	254 00	38 50	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Trinity, Lansingburgh.....	425 00	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Paul's, Troy.....	2,220 00	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. John's, Troy.....	1,125 00	1,610 00	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Christ, Troy.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Holy Cross, Troy.....	1,267 00	1,277 29	...	\$100	...	.....	...	\$20	...	...	...	...
St. Luke's, Troy.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
SARATOGA COUNTY.												
Christ, Ballston Spa.....	500 00	230 00	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Calvary, Burnt Hills.....	200 00	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Paul's, Charlton.....	500 00	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Luke's, Mechanicville.....	100 00	4 00	6 40	...	6 70	\$1 00	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bethesda, Saratoga Springs.....	1,655 00	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grace, Waterford.....	500 00	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...



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- Families, in 81 parishes, 5,518.  
 Individuals, in 74 parishes, 18,668.  
 Adults, in 66 parishes, 10,677.  
 Children, in 16 parishes, 6,479.  
 Baptisms of Adults, in 97 parishes, 378.  
 Baptisms of Infants, in 98 parishes, 1,094.  
 Total number of Baptisms, in 98 parishes, 1,475.  
 Confirmed, in 61 parishes, 837.  
 Communicants, last reported, in 87 parishes, 10,427.  
 Communicants, admitted, in 64 parishes, 718.  
 Communicants, received, in 63 parishes, 368.  
 Communicants, died, in 61 parishes, 190.  
 Communicants, removed, from 70 parishes, 575.  
 Communicants, present number, in 96 parishes, 11,877.  
 Marriages, in 75 parishes, 368.  
 Burials, in 85 parishes, 782.  
 Sunday School teachers, in 87 parishes, 1,207.  
 Sunday School pupils, in 86 parishes, 9,397.  
 Parish School teachers, in 8 parishes, 51.  
 Parish School pupils, in 8 parishes, 414.  
 Parochial Offerings, Alms at Holy Communion, in 76 parishes, \$7,486.72.  
 Parochial Offerings, Current Expenses, in 98 parishes, \$135,144.62.  
 Parochial Offerings, other purposes, in 93 parishes, \$49,021.07.  
 Diocesan Offerings, Bishop's Salary, in 81 parishes, \$2,448.01.  
 Diocesan Offerings, Episcopal Fund, in 2 parishes, \$9.64.  
 Diocesan Offerings, Diocesan Fund, in 61 parishes \$1,602.29.  
 Diocesan Offerings, Bible and Prayer Book Society, in 48 parishes, \$498.54.  
 Diocesan Offerings, Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, in 30 parishes, \$258.52.  
 Diocesan Offerings, Widows and Orphans of Clergy, in 16 parishes, \$135.68.  
 Diocesan Offerings, Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, in 34 parishes, \$891.88.  
 Diocesan Offerings, The Child's Hospital, in 44 parishes, \$840.41.  
 Diocesan Offerings, Theological Education, in 24 parishes, \$828.26.  
 Diocesan Offerings, Diocesan Missions, in 72 parishes, \$8,801.16.  
 Diocesan Offerings, other purposes, in 31 Parishes, \$3,531.99.  
 General Offerings, Foreign Missions, in 36 parishes, \$1,640.31.  
 General Offerings, Indian Missions, in 17 parishes, \$707.72.

General Offerings, Missions to Coloured Persons, in 12 parishes, \$236.06.

General Offerings, Domestic Missions, in 41 parishes, \$1,516.70.

General Offerings, other purposes, in 59 parishes, \$4,613.47.

Total of Parochial Offerings, \$191,652.41.

Total of Diocesan Offerings, \$19,846.38.

Total of General Offerings, \$8,649.08.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$220,147.87.

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Mr. John B. Hubbs admitted Candidate for Priest's Order, Jan. 30, 1879.





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	St. Mary's, Luzerne .....	<i>Benj. C. Butler,</i> <i>George W. Beadmore.</i>
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St. Paul's Church, Troy, N. Y.

Tuesday, January 13th, A. D. 1880.

This being the place designated by the Bishop of the Diocese, and the day appointed by the Constitution, for the meeting of the Twelfth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Albany, the Bishop, and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in St. Paul's Church, Troy, at half-past ten o'clock in the morning.

The Bishop of the Diocese administered the Holy Communion, and was assisted in the service by the Reverend Doctors Reese, Tucker and Battershall, and the Reverend Archdeacons Payne, Carey, Cooke and Clemson, the Rector of the Parish and the Secretary of the Convention.

In place of the sermon the Bishop delivered a portion of his Annual Address.

## THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

I am always glad, my dear Brethren, Clerical and Lay, when the return of the Epiphany season says unto me, for our annual going up *together*, "We will go unto the House of the Lord." May God make it, in all ways, a *manifestation* of Himself to us, in His Holy Feast, His Holy Presence, given as He promised to the two or three, His Holy Spirit guiding us into all truth; and of ourselves to Him, as we render up the record of our stewardship for this past year, and go from our mutual strengthening by conference and holy Communion, back to our several places, to "commend ourselves by manifestation of the truth to every man's conscience in the sight of God."

After our custom in this Diocese, I separate from the recital of the year's results, my words of spiritual teaching and of practical counsel, and proceed to speak to you first of a matter, which, in my judgment, ought to press, more than it does, upon the conscience of the clergy.

I mean the clear and constant teaching of definite and dogmatic truth. There is a constant cry abroad among the congregations, for what is called practical preaching, as opposed to doctrinal preaching. Which is as though one should cut our Lord in three, and say I will make Him *the Life*, modelling myself after His purity, His patience, His beneficence; but I will not make Him *the Way*, because the cross is in it; nor will I make Him *the Truth*, because I cannot force myself to believe a doctrine, or make believe believe it, without hypocrisy. Or else, it is still more accurately the fulfilment of the Pauline prophecy, and means that the time *has* come, when men "will not endure sound doctrine, but after their own lusts heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears."

Now nothing can be plainer than that our commission is a clear and positive ambassage. "We are ambassadors for Christ." We receive our office and authority from the Church which He established in the earth, to keep, to hold fast, to contend for, the complete and completed faith. Our influence, our position, our support comes to us from the Church, coupled with this condition: that we shall preach the Word of God; it only, and all of it; that we shall teach men "to observe *all* things whatsoever Christ hath commanded"; that we shall "take heed unto ourselves and to the doctrine". And the man who cannot do this with a clear conscience, or who will not do it, is an unfit or an unfaithful ambassador. We cannot compare ourselves with others in this matter, not held as we are held. The man who "taketh this honor to himself", is honest in being a law unto himself. The man who gets his creed, where he gets his orders, from the congregation that he supplies, is at liberty, if it can be called liberty, to scratch their itching ears, with any stubble of poor and lifeless theories they may prefer. But of you and me it is true, as of St. Paul, we are ambassadors in bonds. *Πρεσβεύω ἐν ἀλύσει*, he said standing before all who would come to hear him; and though the bonds were *not* the golden chains of almost regal authority, the badge of an ambassadorship which made his person as inviolate as the person of a king, but only the rough Roman chains, they were equally the type of his bondage to his Master, which held him, incapable of delivering any other message than that he had received. The figure is the whole argument. No man can represent a government, who is unwilling to accept and carry out the instructions of the government he represents. Outside of these instructions he may think and say what he will. But in his official capacity he can only be the mouth-piece of his master. If he is faithless, he will be recalled. If he is honest, and cannot urge and insist upon his message to the letter, he will resign. "We are ambassadors *in bonds*." The question of modern discussion, as to the authority of dogma, finds its short and easy answer here. Dogma is the most definite thing that can be thought.

Its very sound implies it. It has a set, fixed, unchangeableness about it from its very derivation from the past tense of a passive voice, which is unmistakable. It is a far stronger, sterner, severer thing than doctrine. It is either the authorized accumulation of doctrines, of teachings, into a system, something so solid and substantial, that it stands together and stands alone; or else, it is, what I believe it is, the very flint rock of original truth, *the* truth, the faith, from which the sparks of doctrine fly abroad, when it is struck with the hammer of honest seekers after truth, "like sparks among the stubble," burning up the trash of "old wives' fables"; or, like flashes of Eternal Light, kindling souls into fresh fervors of living faith, and illuminating the depth and darkness of the mysteries of truth. And its authority is absolute; over the *mind*, because it guides and teaches the reason; over the *heart*, because it furnishes the facts of faith; over the *conscience*, because it is the expression of the Will of God. Speaking alike to clergy and lay-people, about this, I want you to bear in mind, the argument and the alternative. The argument is, that God has made belief equally with duty, a condition of pleasing Him; and therefore cannot have left us without a certain rule\* of faith, any more than He could leave us without a certain rule of morals. This is the argument, that needs neither urging nor enlarging. For if a man's believing a thing true, makes it true to him, then a man's believing a thing right, makes it right to him; and the Massachusetts horror of child-murder last year is unpunishable by law.

And the alternative is this: that if a layman cannot believe the dogma of the Church, he must avow himself not a churchman; and if a priest of the Church cannot teach the dogma of the Church, he must renounce the ministry, cost what it will, and not serve one master in the livery of another.

To which I know it will be objected that dogma is not clearly defined; and that a man's intellectual manhood rebels against such restraints.

Of the latter this is enough to say: that moral manhood which is higher than, because it includes, intellectual manhood, compels honesty to vows. And the Priest has vowed before God, as the condition of his orders, "to minister the Doctrine and Sacraments and Discipline of Christ as the Lord hath commanded and as this Church hath received the same, according to the commandments of God." There is consistency in the individualism of the free-thinker; there is honesty in the founder and follower of sects; there is intelligibility in the surrender of all further thinking, by the one thought of thoughtless subjection to the human holder of a foreclosed mortgage on one's brains. But there is the very opposite of each of these, in the position of a man

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\* "Before God, one and the same law applies to opinions and to acts; or rather to inward and to outer acts; for opinions are inward acts."

Mr. GLADSTONE'S Address at Liverpool College, 1872.



who stands before the world an accredited ambassador for Christ, and denies and controverts and contradicts the Message of his Master. There is a certain taking appearance of courage and manliness in the attitude of liberality so called, of being generous, that is, with some one else's property; of giving up and giving away, what is not one's to give. But it is a cheap counterfeit of base metal. I *cannot* believe, one says; if I say I do, I am a liar and a hypocrite. But I say *no*. You make yourself these things, by continuing an ambassador of a message which you will not deliver. I cannot believe, one says, and therefore I cannot be under obligation to believe. But try it another way. "I cannot love any longer the woman to whom I pledged my life and love in the sacred mystery of marriage. Therefore I am free to leave her, and to love whom I will." Morally, there is no difference between this modern Gospel of *free faith* and the devil-spell, the Satanic message of *free-love*. For the one, because it is within the cognizance of civil penalties, there is punishment here. For the other unreached, because it is too high and holy to be reached, by human laws, there is the punishment of violated vows, an outraged conscience, and God disobeyed.

But, one says, dogma is not clearly defined, and therefore cannot have such absolute authority; which is an unworthy play on words. I am speaking to a body of men delivered up, as St. Paul expresses it, by vows of baptism and ordination to a *τύπον διδασχῆς*, a form, a mould of sound words, a positive, fixed, definite creed. It is all in the Holy Scriptures, and may be proved by them. But it is a different and an independent thing from the Holy Scriptures. The Church and the Bible are *co-ordinate* witnesses to the Truth, neither complete, without the other. And for you and me, the Creed of the Church, in its two forms, is the dogma, the positive body of belief whose authority is absolute over mind, conscience, faith, reason, speech and life. Outside and apart from these, are wide reaches of theory, opinion, view, feeling, with which it has nothing to do; any more than your allegiance to your country forbids your speaking French, or belonging to one or other party in American politics. Inside of this, on every subject which is revealed and defined, you are, we are, I am, in conscience bound to submit. Make a violent illustration; and every body will confess that no man can hold orders, or lay privilege in the Church, who denies the existence of the Personal God. No more can one who rejects the eternal Sonship and Godhead of Jesus Christ, "Very God of very God, Begotten of His Father, before all worlds;" who denies the Inspiration of Holy Scripture, in which the Holy Ghost "speaks by the Prophets;" who rejects the truth of forgiveness sealed and conveyed by "the one Baptism for the Remission of sins;" or who doubts "the Resurrection of the Flesh." I know that even cardinal points like these leave open loopholes for ingenious and disingenuous minds

to boggle over ; the various interpretations of the inspired Scriptures ; the exact extent and meaning of Baptismal cleansing ; or the character of the spiritual body of the Resurrection Day. But the honest man, however he will interpret, or, however he will explain, will not explain *away* the truth, or deny and flaunt his defiant denial of the facts ; for they *are facts* to faith, as somehow true. And the modest man, I think I may say the intelligent man, will not imagine that he is likely to be wiser than eighteen consentaneous centuries of Christendom, during which, however far one way or other, the pendulum of deep and reverent thinkers has swayed, the hands upon the clock-face have gone steadily on, from point to point, rounding the circle of the great Articles of the Faith, and coming back to the meridian and the midnight stroke of the twelve times CREDO, I BELIEVE.

Let me ask you for a moment to think out with me another thing about this question of interpreting dogma. The freedom of individual thinking, wondering, talking about the faith is part of "the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free." That old flint rock of dogma (and that Rock is Christ), stands like the everlasting hills. Over it has accumulated the soft seductive moss of the so-called solifidian, on which men lie down and stretch themselves with the easy-going, self-satisfaction, that they need do nothing and be nothing, but only feel an emotional assent to abstract and inoperative truths of theology. About it have grown various vines, and flowers, and weeds ; the poetical, the sentimental, the sensational religionisms of the ages. And into it, rifting its solidness in minute fissures, the stunted but sturdy tree of what is called practical religion, that must be doing something, asserting *itself* all the while, has struck its tiny root. These are all well enough, perhaps, but they are apart from and beside the *Rock*, the Faith, the Lord. If they conceal Him, if they are instead of Him, they will be found a poor dependence in the day of need. They are pretty, curious, comfortable, perishing things. On the other hand, on that Rock, which is Christ, has been builded, not the Church only, but the dogma of the Church. And I hold it to be almost axiomatic for you and me, that when an Article of the Faith in the Creed has gathered about it, illustrations, enforcements, applications, in the Offices of the Prayer Book, in the Catechism, and the Ordinal, and the Book of the Articles, these are the interpretations of that Article, as this Church has received it. Let me illustrate what I mean in a single instance, which I do not propose to argue. The article of the faith is that the risen bodies of men are to live forever. "I believe in the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life Everlasting." What application do the offices of the Church give to this truth ? Plainly when we pray in the Litany, to be delivered "from everlasting damnation" ; and in the burial office, "not to be delivered into the bitter pains of eternal death," the Church teaches that this everlasting existence is to be in one of two

states, of happiness or misery, of punishment or reward. You may argue that the fire and the worm are figurative, as I believe they are, for upon that new flesh, not material but spiritual, material elements have no power. You may hold, as I believe one must, that the true revelation of our Lord's parable, the impassable gulf fixed between, and the hopeless remorse of helpless memories; exile from God, and the saddest thought

" It might have been :"

that these make up the sufficient sum of that unending misery. You may theorize about this as you will. But the honest purgatory of Roman invention, or the dishonest purgatory of "Eternal Hope;" the play with the Greek word *αιωνιος*, which is the attribute of life or death, and means either that each is endless, or else means that life is not eternal beyond the grave; this is the specious disloyalty of men whose "ears are turned away from the truth and turned unto fables."

Now this dogma, this system of teaching, this Divinity (as we sometimes call it), is to be the substance of our teaching. "Go ye and make disciples of all nations *teaching* them." The Church is an *Ecclesia docens*. She is ready to give a *reason* for every thing she holds, an answer to every question, an evidence to every honest doubter, a positive definition to every one who asks. Not a teacher, in the sense of unfolding and explaining mysteries; not a teacher, in the sense of adding, every now and then, a new article to the Faith; but a teacher in the sense of saying, This is "the Faith, once for all, delivered to the Saints." And we, as her mouth-piece, are to teach, not duty merely, in the sense of what to do; but the duty of believing, and what to believe. Let me say a single word about the nonsense of what is called *practical* preaching. In the first place, nothing can be more practical than *how* to be saved. And the Scripture says, "*Believe*, and ye shall be saved." And in the next place, the practice of the Christian virtues, is simply, faith applied, acted, lived. For instance, the Apostolic argument for truth, and the Apostolic argument for purity, both rest on the doctrine of the Incarnation and of our baptismal participation of it: "speak every man truth to his neighbour, for ye are members one of another;" "shall I take the members of Christ, and make them the members of an harlot." And St. Paul's noble outburst to the Philippians against licentiousness and self-indulgence starts on the principle, that this degradation of the Body, ignoring the Incarnation and Passion of our Lord, is contrary to the *Cross of Christ*. So that one may simply say, that the most practical preaching is inevitably the preaching of the faith.

There are two practical applications of this general argument, which I ask you to take with you.

The training of children, the catechizing in which Theophilus was brought up, is of course, the most important, and the most hopeful

phase of this. "Whom shall I make to understand doctrine? Them that are weaned from the milk and drawn from the breasts." I have come to have considerable doubt and great anxiety, about the teaching of children, as it is carried on to-day. International series of question books; irresponsible and ill-educated Sunday School teachers, absorbing the duties of Pastor, Parents and Sponsors; the Sunday School made a substitute for the Church, with its own service-book and hymn-book, and with the questionable accompaniment of prizes and pic-nics, tend to nothing safe or certain, definite or distinctive. We have got to accept the fact in this country, that large numbers of the children will be instructed in the public schools; unless the extravagance of our modern School Boards, in over-educating children into utter unfitness for, and discontent with, their providential position and their appointed sphere in life, reacts into an overthrow of the whole system. And the Public Schools must be, and ought to be, absolutely secular. The thin veneer of so-called religion laid on the system, by the casual reading of half a chapter of the Bible, only deludes people into an easy excuse for neglecting their duties, about the religious training of the young. We cannot undertake to compete with Common Schools, by Parochial Schools. I believe we are bound to furnish when we can, Church Schools and Colleges of every sort and grade. But the great majority of American children must be educated in the Public Schools. And Public School education must be and ought to be *unreligious*. This means that the Clergy ought to be most careful about the training of our children, in the positive, definite, distinctive faith of the Creeds; and in the clear-cut system of the Church. This cannot be left to the hour of questionable teaching in the Sunday School. The public catechizing in the Catechism; the personal, pastoral instruction of the Rector; the grounding of children in the principles of our most Holy Faith; the teaching of Church Doctrine, and especially of Church History, the customs and ceremonial of the Church, and the great *Church Fact*, especially in the preparation of candidates for Confirmation, must be the main dependence of the generations yet to come.

I confess that the subject presents itself to me, so far as our immediate danger is concerned, in a far more urgent light, as it applies to the number of those coming in adult years to our communion. The accident of marriage into a Church family; the aesthetic preference for our service; personal weariness with the perpetual harangues upon the secular questions of the day; dislike of the narrowing restrictions which are part and parcel of the sect system; political preferences or dislikes; some seeming social advantage; nearness to a particular church; the personal liking for a clergyman, all sorts of reasons are bringing men into a habit of attendance upon our service; into the occupation of seats; into a nominal adhesion to the Church. If the man is wealthy and prominent, he becomes at once an officer in the

Parish. Utterly uninstructed, ignorant of the first principles of the doctrine of Christ, he yet becomes a factor, and money multiplies immensely his importance as a factor, in parochial administration. Absolutely honest, and often very earnest, he is nevertheless incapable of any intelligent discharge of his trust. I count it an unkindness to such a man, not to *teach* him, plainly, positively, authoritatively. You do not want to take men by guile. You want to make them know "the certainty of things." They should be fed with *milk*, until they are strong enough to be fed with meat; and then they should be fed with *strong* meat. And the honest, uncontroversial, plain statements of what the Church *is*, and what the Church *holds*, are due to men like these; not merely of morality, not merely of the religious life; but of the differences and distinctions between the old and the new; between the deposit, and the accretions to it or the departures from it. I am amazed sometimes to find the surprise of people, when they discover that the unbroken succession of our authority to minister in holy things can be proved, not as Catholic doctrine, merely, but as historical fact. It startles me to realize, how far away the great majority of modern congregations are from any appreciation of the historical position of the Church. And their utter confusion of ideas about regeneration, conversion, fasting, frequent communions, the condition of the departed, the eternal life of heaven, is a serious condemnation of our unfaithfulness in delivering "the *whole* counsel of God." Of course the elevation of human character, the training of souls for Heaven, the strengthening of people against temptation, the warnings against sin, the reasoning about "righteousness, temperance and judgment to come," the preaching of repentance, of pardon, of salvation, the preaching "Jesus Christ and Him crucified," must occupy and absorb us, as the great end and aim of all our teaching and all our work. But we have no right to forget, that we have given to us, a *system*, of faith and duty, a *system of religion*, in which and by which we are to fit men for life and for eternity. To say the least of it, we are bound to think that system the best. And without uncharitableness, without controversy, without attacking any body or any thing but sin and unbelief and error, we are bound, I think, by every obligation before God and man, to insist upon that system in its fulness of Faith, Orders, Discipline, Sacraments, as that by which we must be governed and controlled, and by which we are to mould men. The Gospel in the Church is that, with which we have been put in trust. We are not left to our own choosing. We are not at liberty to submit to popular control. We are ambassadors for Christ. We are commissioned teachers of the Church. "We are ambassadors in bonds." Let us be workmen, "that need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of Truth." Let us be "pure from the blood of all men," "not shunning to declare the whole counsel of God." Let us deliver unto men

“that which we also have received.” Let us strive to be “found faithful,” as “stewards of the mysteries of God.” Let us remember the solemn vow of our ordination, “so to minister the Doctrine and Sacraments and the Discipline of Christ as this Church hath received the same, according to the commandments of God.” And so our work will tend to edifying, to *upbuilding*, upon “the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ, Himself, being the chief Corner Stone.” “Remember ye the words which were spoken before, of the Apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ:”

“But ye beloved, building up yourselves *on your most holy faith*, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.”

I turn to speak of minor things, which yet assume importance, as they tend to the dignity of divine service and promote the substantial unity which, thank God, pertains among us in the Diocese of Albany. And I speak, not as a “lord over God’s heritage,” but simply *exhorting* the elders, “myself, also, an elder.” And at the start, I have grave doubts myself of the propriety of any Diocese in such a confederation as our great Province is, undertaking to establish a *use*, in the use of the book of Common Prayer. I am very sure that individual parishes cannot safely and lawfully exercise any such right. I appeal, simply, however, to argument, in reference to these matters of which I have to speak.

An innovation has been introduced into some congregations, both in England and America, by which the general thanksgiving is said together by priest and people. It is plainly *unrubrical*, and supported by an unfair interpretation of the word *general*. It is unrubrical, because the rubric of universal application is that when the *Amen* is printed in italics, it means that it is the response by the people to what has been previously said by the minister *alone*. And the *Amen* to the General Thanksgiving is printed in italics. Therefore the Church intends the minister to say the thanksgiving alone, and the people to say *Amen*. The idea that, because it is called *general*, therefore it may be said by all, as the “general confession” is, is plainly a bit of word-playing. Even *general*, in “general confession” does not mean this; for the rubric before the general confession, thinks necessary to add, “to be said by the whole congregation;” and in either case the word *general* is opposed to *special*; a confession in general terms, as opposed to a particular, which would, of course, be a private confession; a thanksgiving for general mercies, as contrasted with the thanksgiving for recovery, for a safe return from sea, etc.

The same rubrical argument applies to another habit, growing a little, I fear, of combining the four opening suffrages of the Litany. Speaking ritually and rubrically, the italic letter, here again, is the plain direction of the Church, that they are to be said as *verse* and *response*. I do not like to state, I could not descend to answer, the only



argument advanced for this, the slight economy of a few seconds which we save in the worship of God. I make an admonition to the clergy, and I believe it to be a "Godly admonition," that it is better to obey the rubric and the custom of the Church, than to sentimentalize innovations into the service.

The use of the *Tersanctus* is still another matter, about which a certain variety of custom prevails. Ordered to be said or sung, by the Priest and People, I am very sure that the habit is incorrect, which allows a single solo voice in the choir to sing the first part, the chorus coming in at the "Holy, Holy, Holy." I am inclined to ask that this should be allowed to furnish the clue to what is, I believe, the more liturgical use; namely, that the Priest shall say or sing, alone, the first part, and after the word, "saying," the choir and the congregation should unite in the thrice holy hymn. The leading argument for this is the analogy of other parts of the service, when the word "saying," or "and say," means that the people take up the words *that follow*; as after the exhortation in the order of daily morning and daily evening prayer and in the baptismal office.

I am very glad to find, gradually spreading through the churches, the habit of placarding conspicuously upon the walls of the church, the day of the month, and the numbers of the hymns to be sung. May I commend to you, as made possible by this, what has been the habit in our Cathedral chapel since its first opening, that we should give up announcing the psalter, or the hymns. There is no rubrical suggestion for the announcement of the Psalms, as there is for announcing the Lessons, and the Epistle, and the Holy Gospel; and none for the announcement of the hymns. And the omission is significant. Better than this, is the gain in the unbroken sequence and the uninterrupted smoothness of the service. The *Venite* regains its old character as the invitatory psalm, leading up with no break to the appointed Psalms for the day; the hymns come in as *Introits*—entrance songs—into the Sanctuary, or as thanksgivings after the Holy Gospel. And especially in the case of the hymn at Holy Communion, there is no rustle and stir and interruption, that seems almost rude, at the most solemn moment after the Consecration, before the communion of the Holy Mysteries. Since we have so universally dropped the habit of "lining out," or reading through, the whole hymn, or formally announcing our purpose of "continuing the worship of Almighty God by singing," and the impertinence of a fanciful fingering of the organ-keys between the verses, I think the next step in advance, is to give up all unordered and uncalled for breaks in the continuity of our beautiful service; which moves on in well ordered and majestic ascent, like "a Psalm of Degrees," from the solemn sentences of Holy Scripture to the climax of the great act of Altar worship. Practically, I can testify that it works well, and a month's trial habituates and satisfies the congregation.

I have made quite a thorough examination during the last year, of the Parochial Registers, which were very readily opened to my inspection, with a view to the solution of the anxious difference between the numbers confirmed and the numbers added in communicants. In almost all instances I was glad to find the records carefully kept. It is among the most important duties of the Rector, especially in our day of frequent clerical change. And I was greatly relieved to find, that in large degree, the deficiency is caused by the removal of communicants from the Parishes. They go, I hope, always, with letters of transfer, general or particular.

Still there is a margin left for some anxiety. I recognize, thankfully, what I believe to be the habit of this Diocese, the careful, personal preparation of the candidates. In one instance, that of the Rector at Salem particularly, the teaching was admirably minute and thorough. And while I should hardly feel justified in refusing confirmation to any person, not ready, at once, to become a communicant, I am glad to find a strong conviction among the Clergy, that no one should be confirmed who proposes deliberately to break the just-made promise of obedience, by refusing to *do* what our Lord commanded all to *do*, as a "memorial" of Him. Our danger lies, it seems to me, in failing to impress sufficiently upon our people, that the Sacrament of the Holy Communion is not a luxury of spiritual enjoyment, but a necessity of spiritual life; not a reward of merit, but a means of grace; not something which we need to become good enough to receive, but something which we *must* receive in order to become less bad than we are. And the other danger, very difficult to avoid in large Parishes, is from the fact that pastoral supervision largely ends with Confirmation. The child is looked after during the catechetical period; followed up by the preparation for Confirmation; admitted to the Holy Communion, and then rather dropped, as having passed out of his spiritual minority, as completed and finished; something after the wretched and untrue teaching of the hymn:

" 'Tis done, the great transaction's done."

It is easier to suggest the difficulty than the cure. I know, with much pleasure, of the plan adopted in St. Paul's Parish, Albany, and elsewhere, perhaps, of a yearly reunion of all persons confirmed, under the faithful pastorate of the present Rector. Special Bible Classes for adults, taught by the Rector, parochial gatherings, keeping the Communicants *at work*; any thing that can be devised or done to keep the people in mind that the training for life and for eternity is continuous, is never finished, that "they have not already attained" because they have been confirmed; such things will help to check the loss of strength to the Church, and of strength to the souls committed to our care, which must come from neglected Sacraments, and the falling away of people, who have "left their first love."



One word more I do want to say, about our theological students. It is a constant wonder to me, and a sure evidence of grace given in Orders, that we have in this Church so well furnished a body of Clergy, as we have. When I remember the mercy of my own three years Diaconate, spent really in serving, with no responsibility for souls, under my dear Father's eye, I realize the cruelty with which I have to send my Deacons out, to sole cures and to hard cures, fresh from the theoretical training of the Seminaries; and I feel a hardship which I cannot help. But the evil needs relief, if it cannot be cured. Some day, please God, the Cathedral dream may be so realized that the new Deacons may be gathered there, to learn, by practice and under careful guidance — what is harder and more needful than Pearson or Procter or Brown — the way to touch and reach and deal with souls. Till then, we can do three things if we are agreed. In the first place, we can give our students sufficient support, to make them able to devote their training time to training. The diversions and distractions of work in teaching and in visiting are unfortunate elements. They are hindrances to the entire subjection of their characters, to what ought to be the spiritual and the scholastic atmosphere of the Seminary. And, with the tendency of Collegians and Seminarians to be full grown before they are half fledged, their lay-reading and their virtual ministrations in the Parishes make the unordained man feel himself a Priest, and the Deacon, a virtual Archbishop in his own esteem. Our Standing Committee, I am glad to say, are agreed, and I am entirely agreed with them, to limit, to cases of absolute and unquestionable necessity, recommendations for the ordination of any young man who has not completed his Seminary course. And the evil which grows out of that, the prompt ordination to the Priesthood of the just-graduated Deacon, will be avoided. I think the young men have in their own hands the cure for one other trouble, by avoiding, not only early marriages, but early engagements to be married. The unmarried Deacon is available in many a place where he could be trained for service, as Assistant to a Rector, or as associated with an older Priest. The Deacon who is to be married at once, must have a Parish to himself. Early engagements are as serious an injury. In the first place, the years of larger outlook in the City, in the College, in the Seminary, often change a man's views and feelings. He is far better able to make the wiser choice, when his character has hardened out of gristle into bone. And the drag and strain of a long engagement, with the prospect of its consummation postponed and delayed, is an injustice to one party to it, and a depressing injury to the other. The Law graduate expects to spend his first year or two in the office of an older man, to learn, by helping him, the practical part of his profession. The medical man, just getting his degree, is glad of the chance to give his year or two of service in a Hospital, where his work completes his training.

There ought to be in the Diaconate the same spirit of sacrifice and service: of sacrifice that will give itself, for the mere cost of living, to the Master's service; of service, that will find overpayment of the sacrifice, in the pleasure of its offering and the profit of its instruction.

And so I pass to the natural subjects of the Episcopal Address. And, first, as we set out upon our journey through the year's reminiscences and records, let me hang up the memorial tablets of those beloved names, whose holy examples we ask for grace to follow, that so, with them, we may enter into the joy of our Lord. The American Episcopate is poorer upon earth for the loss of its most honored and distinguished name, in the death of the Bishop of Maryland; and for the loss of the Bishop of Northern New Jersey, one doubly beloved for a service, hardly more rare in his heroic conquering of agony, than in his ripe scholarship, his witness with lip and life for the Catholic Faith, and his personal gifts of magnetic attraction. They were both very near to me, the one almost by blood, the other as my Father's successor, my own Bishop for years, and my friend from early boyhood. I have borne my tribute elsewhere, and at length, to the value of Bishop Odenheimer's life, and to the witness of his death. I need only record here my loving reverence for his memory, made sacred by its tender associations with the life and home and love of my Father and Mother; as the memory of Bishop Whittingham is associated with the other home, his and theirs, where my wife's Father and Mother lived and died. So they came very close to me, and life seems lonelier and nearer spent, that I cannot turn to them on earth, to refresh the strength of its happier days. I may speak of this to you my well beloved, who have been so ready always with your gracious sympathy, in my personal cares. But the great need to speak of them is to realize how they are missed and wanted in the counsels and labours of the Church. The Bishop of Maryland shared, I think only with Dr. Pusey and Bishop Wordsworth, among English speaking men, the equal honour of *the* Scholar of the age. He was full and running over with every kind of learning; mighty in the Scriptures, rich in Patristic lore, accurate and universal in his knowledge of history, learned in Canon law, an admirable linguist in the tongues of the older and newer nations, thoroughly versed in liturgics, a careful student of Divinity, and having at his fingers ends English theology from Bede to Archer Butler. And his memory was never at a loss, to use what he had not only read, but assorted and labelled as in a common-place book for use. A powerful preacher; an able debater; an irresistible controversialist; out and out, and outspoken in his thorough catholicity; utterly un-Roman *therefore* and better, because broader, than Anglican; his word was an authority in the House of Bishops, which no one questioned, however one might differ from his views. It was like taking down the books themselves and consulting all the authorities, to get his statement of any

fact. And yet he added to this an amount of energy, of out-door work under constant physical pain, which few men could have endured; and above all these things, he was clothed with the humility of a child and with the holiness of a Saint. My last word from him, as I knelt by his chair within a few weeks of his death, was his benediction, given not to me only but to my work, whose virtue I pray God may be with us and abound.

Our own great home loss, this year, has been the death of Mr. Thomas A. Tillinghast. If I spoke only to Troy I should be silent; for here he was too well known to need a single sentence to enforce the severity of his loss. What he was to St. John's Church, in this city, the time would fail to tell; in the Sunday School, in the finances, in the work of the Parish, in the care of the sanctuary, in attendance on, or preparation for, the services, in the houses of its poor, in the home and heart of his beloved Rector. To the Diocese he was a staunch and steadfast friend; never absent, *once*, I believe, from any meeting of its Standing Committee into which he was elected at its organization; and to which he brought the wise and practical counsels of a sound and consecrated mind. He was the best secretary I ever knew, and his minutes of the Troy Convocation read like an illustrated lecture on men and things. To me, from the first, he has been all a layman could be to a Bishop. It was a friendship that began upon a principle, which governed his life, of loyalty to those who were "over him in the Lord." I thank God, that it grew to the same strong, personal love and sympathy which I felt for him; and because of which, I stand here to-day, as I stood by what seems his premature grave, bereaved and sorrowing. And outside of all nearer things, Mr. Tillinghast was a man who illustrated the best influences of the Church, as a religious man. Genial, gracious and hospitable, generous to a fault, unbending in all home and social intercourse, and yet everywhere the consistent Christian, as much so in his counting-room and in his daily conversation, as in the House of the Lord, where he was always so glad to go. Would God our Mother reared up more such sons, who, like Daniel, in the midst of constant and pressing secular occupations, find time to serve God continually; and of whom, like Daniel, it is hardly too much to say, men "could find none occasion nor fault against" him.

The Church in Troy, this venerable Parish itself, has lost two of its earnest laymen in the death of Mr. F. A. Stowe, whose quiet and retiring nature covered a very deep religious feeling and a zeal for the Church's welfare, which was manifested in his interest in St. Luke's Church; and of Mr. Geo. B. Warren, a staunch churchman as he was a stalwart man, doing with his might whatsoever his hands found to do. And from this very House of God, last Eastertide, was borne to a rest, too early earned it seemed to us, one whose death has taken the light of a ~~man~~ *man*, exquisite and holy life out of the homes of a most honoured lay-

man of this Parish, and of two of my dear brothers in the ministry. the President of Union University and the Rector of Waterford, Among the last records of my year, is that of my presence at the burial of Mrs. Stephen Warren, whose name recalls the friendships of my father's life, and the beautiful realization, with all its graceful, gracious courtesies, of a Christian lady. Bearing a name of oldest and highest honour in this Parish, and bearing it beyond the life-time of her own generation, she never outlived the freshness of her own sympathy with "children and children's children," or the fulness of universal affection and reverence for herself and her name. The records of the Parish of St. Paul's contain this striking sentence: "The history of the Parish being almost completely coeval with Mrs. Warren's membership in it, and extending back far beyond the memory of the present vestry, they can only record the fact, known to every one, that there is no part of our parochial work that has not been largely indebted to her interest and benefactions." To the list of the "honorable women not a few" gone from us this year, must be added the name of Mrs. Jacob L. Lane, whose devotion of thought, effort, prayer and alms to all practical charities of the city of Troy, and to all the religious claims of the community and of the Diocese, adds to the regret, with which her gentle and gracious presence is missed from her large circle of loving friends. Nor can I close the record here. Mr. Champlin Harison's death removes from the Parish of Canton, and the Diocese of Albany, an invaluable man, cast in a mould, that sometimes I fear is broken, both as a man and a Churchman. As a man, though quiet and unassuming always, he had the strongest convictions of honour and duty; and he lived by them and up to them. A wise and considerate counsellor, interested in young men and helpful to them; a bond of union to his family, with the kind of fatherliness that comes to some unmarried men; honest, upright, energetic, strong as men are, to whom wrong is wrong and right is right; the sort of person who never failed you, when you turned to him; a devout and consistent communicant of the Church, ready with his time and means and interest, to serve her, in the Parish which owes almost every thing to him and his, in our Board of Missions, in any thing his hand found to do; he truly honoured his most honoured name, and "adorned the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things." Mr. Saily of Plattsburgh was a very different man, and yet in some ways, of sound churchmanship and devotion to the Church, the peer and parallel of Champlin Harison. Both early made my friends, and honouring me with a confidence which I have had reason to value in many that are living and dead, as coming from those so much older than myself, and both gone out of the weaker portions of the Diocese, from homes which have been always my homes, since my consecration; I shall sorely miss them as I go about my rounds of work. I had the privilege of giving Mr. Saily his last Communion, which he lovingly

asked at my hands; and shortly after, this courteous and courtly Christian gentleman, with the graces of his old French blood speaking in his manners, this consistent Churchman, this faithful, loving servant of his Master passed, to regain the treasures he had laid up in Paradise; and to leave all who knew him, poorer for lack of his personal presence, but richer for his influence and his example. Sorrows have come, and empty places lie in their shadows, to the rectories of Plattsburgh and Malone, Ticonderoga and Rensselaerville, to which my heart goes back with grateful sympathy and loving memories of Mrs. Smyth and Mrs. Washbon and Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Copps. The dear old home at Greenville has lost one of its chief attractions, since I can see in it no more Miss Prevost's sweet and saintly form; while Granville is bereft indeed of a chief stay, by the death of Mrs. Warren. From the Parish of Unadilla has been taken away a very remarkable man, in the death of Mr. Watson. Withdrawn in the latter part of his life, under a cloud of business misfortune, he held for many years a prominent and very powerful position in the church life of the Diocese. A teacher and a lay reader in early youth, for thirty years senior warden of his Parish, and all the while deeply engaged in large and anxious business transactions; making necessarily many enemies, and very warm friends; patient in adversity as he had been modest in prosperity; one may adopt as true, and as free from "confident boasting," the record of a private memorandum written in the face of his approaching death, and found after it: "I have truly endeavored to discharge my duty to my Maker, and to all those with whom I have had to do, in all the relations of life from my earliest boyhood." His courtesy to me, which grew out of his love for my father, was always grateful, and never more so than in my last parting with him, whose affectionate kindness I never can forget. The death of Mr. James Kidd has made another void in the venerable Parish of St. Peters, Albany, already greatly bereaved. He welcomed me as his guest on the day of my institution to the rectorship of St. Peter's Church, thirteen years ago. I had been near him, in times of great sorrow and of great happiness. There had been a period of estrangement from differences that grew out of my administration of the Parish. If there was any period of broken friendship, it was ended years before his death; and I recall most pleasantly my last evening with him, in connection with his interest in a matter of grave anxiety to me, the unpaid debt upon the Bishop's house. I am glad to endorse the delicate and well chosen words of the tribute to his memory, which the old Parish put on record. "He was devotedly attached to the Parish of which he was for many years a vestryman. He had an unwearied interest in its welfare. He was prompt to aid every department of its religious and charitable work with judicious counsel and generous gifts. He was unremitting in his attendance upon the services of the Church; and at last, the quiet, unconfessed faith, which struck

its roots through all his character, and the fruits of which were evident in his reverent and upright life, found full and formal expression."

Since this Address was printed, I have to add another name to the list of our commemorations. Mr. James Rogers of Ausable Forks has entered, I think I should say, "into light." For his passing away has seemed to me like the answer to the old petition, "that this short night may be quickly turned into everlasting day." He has been a generous benefactor to the Church, never withholding his hand from any claim, local or Diocesan. He built the beautiful Church of St. James, Ausable Forks, and never enjoyed it, though he lived to see its consecration. He was a man of honour, energy, integrity and success in business life, and to me, he was a dear and gracious friend, whose home life has been for years, one of the refreshments and pleasures of my visitations.

I have to thank God, among these many instances of the "manifold changes of this life," that our clergy roll, impaired by the real losses of such men as Dean Haughton and Mr. Townsend and Mr. Oberly, is unbroken by any visitation of death.

Jan. 14. The eleventh Annual Convention of the Diocese assembled in the chapel of All Saints Cathedral in Albany. I delivered a portion of my Annual Address — and a long portion — in place of a sermon, and celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the clerical members of the Standing Committee, the Archdeacons and the Secretary of the Diocese. It was an unusually large gathering of clergy and laity, and a Convention of deep interest to me.

It is, I confess, a great satisfaction that the round of my diocesan record is from Convention to Convention. For the Convention is the *coming together* of men. After long and wide-spread separation, after the rare and brief meetings of my visitations, after the partial and most pleasant Convocations, the coming together of the Convention is *convenient*, in the true sense of the word, and a new and truer unity, I think, is wrought out every year. There is not much done, for there is not much to do. If excitement be the only interest, there is not much of that. But the exchange and the interchange, religious, social and personal, as evidencing the oneness of our aims and work, make good periods to end the past, and good paragraphs to begin the coming year. I cannot be accused of any desire to lose or lessen this advantage, if I ask the attention of the Diocese to the consideration of the question of the frequency of our meetings. The good conservative Diocese of Connecticut has resolved upon a change. There is coming inevitably in some form or other, a reduction into more manageable shape, of the Provincial system under which we have always been organized. It must throw General Conventions wider apart. And it will introduce a new gathering, a Synod, between Conventions Diocesan and General. We shall be called upon I think soon, to make



a change. And I have thought it right to ask you to consider the wisdom of making our Diocesan gatherings not *biennial*, nor annual; but half way between the two, every eighteen months, or twice, between the triennial Conventions. Take the period of three years, for instance, between the next General Convention in Oct. 1880, and the General Convention in Oct. 1883. We should, of course, be obliged, because the Constitution could not be changed for a year, to hold our meeting in Jan. 1881. The next Convention would meet in Jan. 1882; and the next in Sept. 1883, just in time to gather in our full reports for the General Convention in October. After that, the Conventions would meet in Jan. 1885, and Sept. 1886. I believe the end of it would be a Diocesan Convention every eighteen months, a Triennial Synod every three years, and a General Convention every six years. And while our Winter gatherings would continue to be in Albany or Troy, the Autumn meetings would be welcome and useful in other places, as Ogdensburgh, Plattsburgh, Schenectady, Hudson, Cooperstown and Saratoga.

The Convention adjourned in the evening, of Jan. 15th, its business all done and well done, and, after the adjournment, greatly enjoyed the generous hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Corning.

Jan. 16. With the Board of Missions in anxious discussion of reluctant economies all day.

Jan. 17. I licensed Mr. C. D. Flagler a lay reader under the Rev. Mr. Lancaster.

Jan. 26. At night in St. Paul's Church Troy, I preached, welcoming with entire satisfaction the rare and remarkable success of the introduction, into the old Parish, of a Choir of surpliced men and boys. To have adapted the old Chancel to the new order of things, is a remarkable feat. And to have secured so good a Choir, in so short a time, to me was marvellous. It is the true theory for St. Paul's. Large, central, venerable, the old building must make itself the Cathedral (virtually) of the city, by an attractive and frequent worship, and by its good work among the poor.

Feb. 2. I preached and celebrated in the Cathedral Chapel, mindful of the day's solemn memories. And at night in St. Paul's, Albany, by the Rector's request I talked to an attentive congregation about the life and work of the English Church.

Feb. 7. I admitted Sister Alice a Sister, into the Sisterhood of the Holy Child Jesus; and celebrated.

Feb. 19. I made my annual visitation of the Church Home in Troy, and after a short service, made the Address. The building showed at its best that afternoon. Always clean, convenient and comfortable, it was flooded with sunshine, and had about it a sense of cheer which I notice often in the Child's Hospital, as if the sunlight, the symbol of charity, loved to linger in such houses of mercy.

Feb. 23. At night preached in St. Paul's Free Mission Chapel, Albany, where I am glad to notice the new strength and life, which is developing this work into independence and renewed activities.

Feb. 26. Ash Wednesday; at night preached to a representative gathering of Clergy and people in St. Paul's Church, Troy.

Feb. 29. Licensed Mr. George P. Bristol, Lay Reader in Franklin; and in the evening, preached in Grace Church, Waterford.

March 7. In the presence of the Rev. Edwin Coan and the Rev. John Townsend. I pronounced the sentence of deposition from the ministry, upon his renunciation of it, upon the Rev. Robert E. Terry; and made and attested the record in the Diocesan Register.

March 15. Met with the committee of the House of Bishops on Testimonials. Bishop Williams confirmed two persons, at my request, in the Cathedral Chapel.

March 20. In private I baptized and confirmed one person from St. Paul's Parish, Troy. A most touching service, and a most marked and gracious answer to years of prayer enforced by the holy influences of home.

March 25. Ann. B. V. M. Admitted Sister Catharine, a probationer, in the Sisterhood. Admitted Postulants Mr. W. E. Johnson and Mr. John E. Bold.

March 30. At night in St. Peter's Church, Albany, I preached and confirmed eighteen persons.

March 31. Licensed Mr. Arthur B. Morehouse Lay Reader in Schenectady under the Rev. Dr. Payne.

April 6. Palm Sunday. At night in St. Paul's Church, Albany, I preached and confirmed sixty-four persons. There is the same continuous flow of life here from inside and from outside; and it is swollen, this year, more than ever, by the growth of the Mission, from which came twenty of the candidates.

April 7. In St. John's Church, Troy, at night I preached.

April 8. At night in the Church of the Holy Innocents, Albany, I preached, and confirmed fifteen persons. Among the confirmed to-night was a former pupil of my Father's at St. Mary's Hall. The old seed had ripened after many years; and the old personal drawing brought her to me as my Father's representative, to seal her consecration to God.

April 9. In Grace Church, Albany, I preached, and confirmed twenty-two persons.

April 10. In Trinity Church, Albany, I preached and confirmed six persons.

April 12. In the Cathedral Chapel, at night, I preached and confirmed thirty-five persons, one being from Holy Innocents Parish.

April 13. Easter Day, at 10:30 A. M., in the Cathedral Chapel, I preached and celebrated. The number of communicants, about 350,



was the largest yet, and the whole service in every way encouraging, and I trust acceptable to God. At night in St. Paul's Church, Troy, I preached and confirmed twenty-three persons. The service and the congregation were worthy the old Mother Church of Troy.

April 14. In Trinity church, West Troy, I preached and confirmed twelve persons.

April 15. At night, in St. Paul's, Kinderhook, I preached and confirmed six persons.

April 16. In Trinity Church, Athens, I preached and confirmed three persons and celebrated. It was a hearty service, and the church is really beautiful in its new decoration.

April 20. In St. John's Church, Troy, I preached, confirmed thirty-five persons and celebrated. Everything here is full of a life and vigor, whose pulses one feels in the service all through.

In the afternoon, in the dear Chapel of the Holy Cross, I preached and confirmed fifteen persons after the service, which was as exquisite as ever musically and devotionally; and at night, in Christ Church, Troy, after a strong and stirring service, I preached, and confirmed a class, far more remarkable in character than even in size, of thirty-eight persons.

April 23. I was present in Christ Church, Troy, at the afternoon meeting of the Convocation, which was full of interest, the Arch-deacon presiding, as I think it better he generally should, and at night I presided and made a missionary address. Mr. Mulford's thoroughness and thoughtfulness had prepared a map, so that we had a lesson in ecclesiastical geography.

April 24. Attended meeting of the Board of Missions.

April 25. At night, in St. Mark's Church, Green Island, after a service hearty and reverent and rich, as in the old days, I preached and confirmed fourteen persons.

April 27. Driving over to Lansingburgh, I stopped to confirm one sick person from Trinity parish, West Troy, and in the afternoon, in Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, I preached, and confirmed nineteen persons. At night, in Grace Church, Waterford, I preached.

April 29. In the Free Church of the Epiphany, Bath, I preached and confirmed nineteen persons.

April 30, P. M. In Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, I preached and confirmed thirty-nine persons. I was reminded in this service, very forcibly, of the woman who crept up behind the Master to touch His garments; for, in the middle of the service, the church being filled with a large congregation, representing, as it ought to, and does, especially in Saratoga, "all sorts and conditions of men," a poor woman walked quietly up the aisle and placed a large dish of arbutus flowers on the chancel steps. Afterward the rector put them on the Altar, and by and by, the warmth of the church brought out the Spring fragrance till the "House was filled with the odour."

I told the candidates how it taught them the lesson,—these wild flowers sweetened by the atmosphere of the church—of our poor natural gifts made sweet and fragrant by their consecration to God. And I was the more touched afterward to learn, that the flowers, carefully gathered during the day, and brought as a thank offering for her child's confirmation, came late, because the woman had many miles to walk after her work was done to get to Church at all.

May 1. St. Philip and St. James. In the morning in St. John's Church, Stillwater, I preached, and confirmed one person and celebrated. In the afternoon, in St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville, I preached and confirmed five persons. Against many obstacles inside and out, the work goes on here, and with more than usual signs, I think, of life. In the evening in Christ Church, Ballston Spa, I preached and confirmed twenty persons.

May 2. In the morning, in St. John's Church, East Line, I preached and confirmed thirteen persons (eight from Jonesville) and celebrated. The hold of this work grows upon the people. They are really in earnest, and the prospects at Jonesville are encouraging. It will not do to leave the one uncared for, and the other a burden on the indefatigable Rector of Ballston. We must make a mission of the two points with a Priest in charge.

In the evening, in St. James Church, Caldwell, Lake George, I preached and confirmed five persons, and the next morning, after enjoying the always grateful hospitalities of the rector and the delightful rectory, I confirmed one more person in private.

May 3. In the evening in the Church of the Messiah, Glens Falls, I preached and confirmed twenty-seven persons (one in private). The good work goes on with uninterrupted vigor and success; and I am glad to say, that since then it has broken out in a material evidence, of the Church building renewed and restored.

May 4. Third Sunday after Easter, A. M., in Zion Church, Sandy Hill, I preached, confirmed six persons and celebrated. At night in St. James Church, Fort Edward, I preached and confirmed eleven persons (one in private). There are no Parishes anywhere, whose visitations are more grateful to the Bishop than these, where absolute harmony pertains, without the faintest approach to indifference; and the growth is of the kind that lasts, quiet and composed.

May 5. In Trinity Church, Whitehall, I preached, confirmed fourteen persons and celebrated. Here, too, the Church's hold is steadily gaining in strength and depth. In the afternoon, in the Chapel of the North Granville Mission, I preached and confirmed seven persons (three in private). It is of course understood that the Military Academy here is not strictly, or in any sense, a *Church School*. But it is a *good school* every way, I think, in drill, discipline, scholarship and situation, and the Church element in the Faculty is strong and effective

So that I feel free to commend it heartily to Church boys. The more so now, since, in addition to the earnest energy of the lay reader Mr. Frederick Thompson, the Missionary to North Granville is the Chaplain of, and resident in, the School. At night, in Trinity Church, Granville, I preached and confirmed nine persons. There is slow growth here, but sure. It is a good deal like mining slate, which comes up with great difficulty and delicacy of handling, one piece at a time. But it *comes*. Mrs. Warren's death, of which I heard first here, is a grievous sorrow and a very great loss.

May 6. A. M. in St. Luke's Church, Cambridge. I preached and confirmed three persons. It is still the day of small things here. But patience must have its perfect work. At night in St. Paul's Church, Salem, I preached and confirmed nine persons. Its Rector's energetic plans, ably sustained by his people, are developing into a beautiful Close about the Church, with a building for Parish purposes of Schools and Lectures and amusements, which will tend greatly to develop the Parochial interest and life.

May 7. A. M. in St. Stephen's Church, Schuylerville, I preached, confirmed three persons and celebrated.

May 9. P. M. in Ziou Church, Morris, I preached.

May 10. A. M. in Christ Church, Butternuts, I preached, confirmed twelve persons and celebrated. The new life and interest here are very marked and gratifying. P. M. in Christ Church, West Burlington, being alone, I said Evening Prayer and preached. This is an anxious point to me. It ought to be possessed by the Church. There are people here *in* the Church to be cared for, and *out of* it to be gathered in; an excellent Church building; and yet for lack of neighbourhood to some large place, and means to carry on our work, it is languishing. We can only hold it, by the hardest, until the Diocese recognizes its duty.

May 11. Fourth Sunday after Easter, A. M. In Christ Church, Cooperstown, I preached, confirmed twelve persons and celebrated. P. M. in Grace Church, Cherry Valley, I preached and confirmed six persons.

May 12. I presided at a meeting of the Trustees of the Diocesan Orphan House of Cooperstown, where I was glad to find the same wise and cheerful economy doing such wonders with the scanty support, which Albany gives to its *first* work of mercy and one of its best. The Parishes give generally, but I cannot say they give generously. In the evening in St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla, where I am glad to welcome, and be welcomed by, the Rev. Mr. Loveridge, I preached and confirmed four persons (one from Franklin).

May 13. P. M. in St. Peter's Church, Hobart, I preached and confirmed seven persons.

**May 14.** In St. John's Church, Delhi, which was never more lovely and tasteful in holy beauty, I preached and confirmed twelve persons (one in private), and celebrated. The Church gains more hold every year upon the community in influence and impression. In the evening in Christ Church, Walton, I preached and confirmed three persons (one from Franklin). I trust it will not be long before Franklin, with such tokens of life under adverse circumstances, will live again, with its own regular services; and I trust the way may open soon, to do what ought to be done for Deposit, where the Rector of Walton kindly gives occasional services.

**May 18.** Fifth Sunday after Easter, in the afternoon, in St. Luke's, Troy, I preached and confirmed three persons. In the evening in St. John's, Cohoes, the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Fond du Lac, at my request, and to the mutual pleasure of all concerned, preached and confirmed nineteen persons.

**May 20.** Rogation Tuesday, at the united service of Intercession appointed through the whole Anglo-American Communion, with the Clergy of the City present, in the Cathedral Chapel, I made the Address and celebrated. I grieve to say that the congregation was small. There is after all too little faith among us in the power of united prayer; and too much dependence upon human machineries for money-gathering. What limit is there to the result, if all, with one voice, united with His intercession Who desires of God that He "will give him the heathen for His inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth for His possession?"

**May 21, P. M.** In Trinity Church, Schaghticoke (Hart's Falls), I preached and confirmed nine persons. I cannot too much admire the patient energy of the Rector here, in the face of the discouragement of debt, which by generous and unsparing effort he is laboring to extinguish.

**May 22.** The Ascension Day, at night, in the Free Church of the Ascension, Troy, I preached and confirmed nineteen persons.

**May 25.** In St. John's Church, Woodside, in the Diocese of Northern New Jersey, acting for my dear brother Bishop Odenheimer, I preached and confirmed five persons. It was pleasant to do at least something toward relieving the Bishop's anxiety about the Diocese he loved and served so well. And it was a great pleasure to be with Dr. Pennell, bringing back the old days of always welcome work together, and making us feel as if we must both of us be in Clinton county again. In the evening, in Trinity Chapel, New York, at the invitation of the Dean, I delivered the Charge to the graduating Class of the Gen. Theological Seminary, on Liberty and its Limitations. The remainder of the week was occupied with the St. Agnes examinations, which showed to the few who were interested to attend them, thorough capableness of teaching and real proficiency in scholarship.

June 1. Whitsunday, in the evening, in St. Paul's Free Chapel, Troy, I preached and confirmed thirteen persons.

June 4. In the Church of the Holy Trinity, Middletown, Conn., I preached the Ordination sermon at Bishop Williams' request, and was present afterward, at the presentation to the Berkely School, of the portrait of its distinguished Founder and Head. The affection of his sons in the Gospel was a great delight to one who loves him as I do. And the tokens of God's blessing on his great work for the American Church were abundant and evident. I am sure there are many of those here, who owe to him directly and indirectly, their love for, and their knowledge of, theology, who will echo my prayer, "*Serius in coelum redeat.*"

June 5. In the Cathedral Chapel I delivered the Address and gave the diplomas with my blessing to the graduates of St. Agnes' School after the usual exercises, in the School Room. The rest of the week was occupied in the examination of the candidates for Ordination, the Rev. Messrs. Haughton, Coan, Irish, and Dr. Harison being the Chaplains present.

June 8. Trinity Sunday. In the Cathedral Chapel I preached, and ordered Deacons, Messrs. Edwin R. Armstrong and Wm. B. Burrows, presented by Canon Coan; and advanced to the Priesthood, the Rev. Messrs. Alexander McMillan, Scott Bogie Rathbun and Bradford Randall Kirkbride, presented by Dean Haughton; the Rev. Messrs. Chapman, Townsend, and J. Hutchings Brown uniting in the imposition of hands.

June 9, P. M. In St. John's Church, Richfield Springs, I preached and confirmed eight persons. There is evident earnestness and consequent success about the work here which has an expression, and will have added impulse, in the Church Building. I am glad to know that Mr. Ward's generous gift enables the Vestry to do the better thing than enlargement, to build a new Church in a far better situation.

June 10, A. M. In Immanuel Church, Little Falls, I preached, baptized an infant, confirmed five persons, one in private, and celebrated. In the evening in Christ Church, Herkimer, I preached and confirmed thirteen persons.

June 11. St. Barnabas Day, in Herkimer, I confirmed a sick woman in private and gave her the Holy Communion, with the Rector. It was a true token of the Church's Ministry of comfort, and of this faithful Priest's realization of Joses' precious name "the Son of Consolation." In the afternoon in Grace Church, Norway, I preached and confirmed one, and in the evening in the Memorial Church, Middleville, I preached and confirmed three persons, (two from Fairfield). Thanks to Mr. Walker's kind provision of a carriage, and the providence which gave me a day's liberty, I was able to come home that night and be among the true mourners at the grave of Mr. Tillinghast.

June 12. I took part, in St. John's, Troy, in the burial of my dear friend Thos. A. Tillinghast. Licensed as Lay Readers: Dr. Phillips and Mr. Frank Chapman, at Morristown under Dr. Morrison, and Mr. F. C. Jewell at Lebanon Springs, under the Rev. J. Hooper.

June 13, A. M. In the Chapel of the Holy Cross, Fort Plain, I preached, confirmed one person and celebrated. In the afternoon in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Canajoharie, I preached and confirmed two persons; and at night in Zion Church, Fonda, I preached and confirmed five persons. I made to day the round which the missionary makes here all the year through. I could stand it and he does. But it is no way to make the work tell; and the Parish at Fonda is not strong enough to nurse twins. Johnstown ought to be the centre, caring for Fonda and Gloversville with a Deacon; and Canajoharie and Fort Plain should be erected into a Mission. The interest and generosity of the few faithful people, and the possible future of the two places demand it.

June 14, A. M. In St. John's Church, Johnstown, I preached, confirmed thirteen persons and celebrated. In the evening in St. Ann's Church, Amsterdam, I preached and confirmed twenty persons. There were traces here again of what is always so grateful to me and so hopeful to the Church, devoted, personal, pastoral work; and of the sense of brotherhood in the Parish, in the care of the sick, and the searching for the needy and impotent.

June 15. First Sunday after Trinity in St. George's, Schenectady, I preached, confirmed eleven persons and celebrated. In the afternoon I talked to the children of the Sunday school, who gathered in good force in spite of the rain; and at night in Christ Church, Schenectady, I preached and confirmed six persons. I was as glad to find the changes here in the building, as I was to find dear old St. George's unchanged. The Church is enlarged and made beautiful, in a way that tells alike of the good work and the good taste of the Rector.

June 18. I attended the meeting of the Trustees of St. Stephen's College, Annandale. The difficulties of the last winter have asserted, and I think, raised the discipline and tone of the College. It has great difficulties to contend with, chief among them, the strange indifference of New York Churchmen to the value and power of such an Institution. But it has a good start, and very much to commend it to the confidence and support of the Churches.

June 20, A. M. In the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Stockport, I preached, confirmed ten persons (three in private) and celebrated. In the evening in the chapel at Stottville I preached and confirmed thirteen persons. The services as always were most interesting here, and between the drives for private confirmations and the drive to the Chapel, I felt in Mr. Fisher's life the realization of Chaucer's "Poore Personne," with his wide "Parish and the houses far asunder."



June 21. In the morning in Trinity Church, Claverack, I preached and celebrated. In the afternoon in All Saints' Chapel, Hudson, I preached and confirmed two persons, and in the evening in Christ Church, Hudson, I preached and confirmed fourteen persons. The three points are reunited now, I hope for good results, under the Rector of Hudson, and his Assistant, who has independent charge of the Claverack Parish.

June 24. St. John Baptist. I licensed as lay reader Mr. Eli O. Burr, under the Rev. Mr. Delafield. In the evening in St. Luke's Church, Catskill, I preached and confirmed seven persons (one in private.)

June 25. In Christ Church, Cairo, I preached, confirmed seven persons, and celebrated. In the afternoon in Christ Church, Greenville, I preached. It is delightful to have the old rector back again at Cairo.

June 26. In Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, I preached and confirmed nine persons. The old Church is made over, with good taste, and to the great comfort and convenience of the people; and the parish is full of real churchly strength and life.

In the evening in St. Paul's Church, Oakhill, I preached and confirmed four persons.

June 27. I consecrated Trinity Church, Windham, in Ashland; the Rev. Mr. Hutchings, the Rector, reading the instrument of donation, and the Rev. Mr. Prout the sentences of consecration. I preached, baptized the Rector's infant child, confirmed three persons and celebrated. It was an exquisite day. The congregation gathered from the country side in full force, swelled by many people from Catskill and Cairo, to do honor to what is really a remarkable result of the Rector's energy and efforts, ably seconded by all his people. The Church, which replaces a very bare and unattractive building, is a very beautiful country Church. The combination of the many services illustrated the Consecration prayer, and the day was one altogether to be "marked with chalk." I record again gratefully the pleasant companionship of the rector of Catskill, which speeded and cheered me through this beautiful Catskill visitation. And I remember, as a "thing of beauty," which Venice hardly could surpass, the iridescent glow and glory of the Hudson river, as it reflected the sunset colors of that evening.

June 29, A. M. In St. Mark's, Hoosick Falls, I preached and advanced to the priesthood the Rev. John Dolby Skene. The candidate was presented by the Rector, and the other Priests who laid on hands, were the Rev. Dr. Payne and the Rev. W. B. Walker. Mr. Skene had earned his "good degree" by faithful work in the parish, and by the teaching and example of the admirable pastor, whose assistant he still continues to be.

In the evening, at the close of a true even-song, with all holy influences within and without to make it impressive, I confirmed twenty-three persons. Three others were confirmed in private the next day, making twenty-six in all.

July 2, P. M. In St. Mary's, Luzerne, I preached and confirmed one person.

July 3, A. M. In St. John's Church, Conklingville, I preached and celebrated, and at night in the Church of the Holy Cross, Warrensburgh, I preached and confirmed four persons.

July 4. I made the experiment, which proved successful, of turning a holiday into a holy day. The people here had little outside attraction, and were not at work, and the result, both at Chester and at Schroon, was very full congregations. It was not difficult to turn the lesson of the day into the great religious truth, that independence, literally, is as false as it is impossible, and that the true liberty is the exchange of a hated subjection, for the loving obedience of Him "Whose service is perfect freedom." In the morning, in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Chester, I preached and celebrated. Partly driving and partly by boat, I went on to Schroon afterward, and as we neared the village I hailed, with glad surprise, the gilt cross shining in the setting sun, upon the little spire of the new chapel. It is a good thing to have conquered and consecrated with this holy sign a spot of unrivalled natural beauty, and which is not only year by year attracting more visitors in the summer, but which commands, and is beginning to influence, the population of the place and the surrounding country. The Chapel here is not the advertised attraction for the religious luxury of visitors, but the steady home, the year round, for sinners, to whom the Church offers the truth and grace they need. The work, due largely to the labors of a single household, is rooting well. In the evening, the chapel being crowded, I preached and confirmed seventeen persons. The fragrant and abundant evergreens almost suggested Christmas, spite of the heat, and certainly denoted a feast day, which it was. A beautiful drive of twenty-four miles the next morning in the best of mountain carriages, a buck board, past Paradox lake and Long lake, with grand views of the Green mountains and Lake Champlain toward the end, brought us to Ticonderoga, where, in the afternoon, I preached and confirmed nine persons. The evidences of reviving life here, under the wise and faithful labors of the missionary, are very gratifying.

July 6, Fourth Sunday after Trinity, in Christ Church, Port Henry; at 9 o'clock I addressed the children of the Sunday school after Morning Prayer, and at 10:30 I preached, confirmed seven persons, and celebrated. In the afternoon, in the Congregational house of worship, Mineville, I preached and confirmed six persons, and at night I preached again at Port Henry in Christ Church.



July 7, A. M. In St. John's Chapel, Essex, I preached and confirmed five persons and celebrated.

July 8. In Christ Church, Rouse's Point, A. M., I preached, confirmed one person and celebrated, and in the evening, in St. John's Church, Champlain, I preached and confirmed three persons.

July 9, A. M. In St. James' Church, Ausable Forks, I preached, confirmed four persons and celebrated. The missionary here is working out, with untiring energy and good promise of success, to three of the adjoining settlements. The drive to Saranac Lake that afternoon was never more beautiful.

July 10. I consecrated the Church of the Beloved Physician, Saranac Lake. The Rev. Dr. Lundy read the instrument of donation, and Rev. Mr. Woodbridge the sentence of consecration. I preached, confirmed fourteen persons and celebrated the Holy Communion. Dr. Trudeau has earned here again our commendation to the Master's special favor, as the centurion did who built a synagogue. And another beautiful Church, thank God, rises in the wilderness. Nature combined here with architecture. The door-steps were sodded banks. The lectern seemed to grow out of moss, and the leaves and flowers of the forest belong to the structure of the Church. Better than this is the Christian influence and the religious impression made here. With one exception, the persons confirmed were all from the village and its neighborhood. People came and came from miles around, one party in an ox cart. The ministrations of the Church, like all good gifts of mercy, are perennial and universal. And I never felt more clearly the power and value of such work, than in the confirmation, in the back woods, of a layman long prominent in a distant city parish; and in the setting up *here* of the beautiful chancel window in memory of another layman from a distance, who was the first person confirmed in the St. Regis Church. A restful day upon the lakes and a night in Dr. Trudeau's camp made me more than ever in love with this beautiful country.

July 11, P. M. In the Church of St. John in the Wilderness, St. Regis Lake. I preached and confirmed six persons. Mr. Knapp's work, under many difficulties of health, has been full of success, and abundantly proves the need and the adaptation of the Church in such places. It involves sometimes twenty-four miles of driving in a day, once, at least, with the mercury as many degrees below zero. But as evidence of its results, fifty-one persons have been baptized at Saranac Lake in less than year.

July 13, Fifth Sunday after Trinity. In Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, I ordered Deacon, Mr. John Nehemiah Marvin, presented by the Rev. Mr. Smyth, preached and celebrated. In the afternoon, in St. John's Church, Salmon River, I baptized an adult, preached and

confirmed one person, and at night in Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, I preached and confirmed twelve persons.

July 19. In Christ Church, Morristown, I preached and confirmed two persons prepared by the Rev. Dr. Morrison.

July 20, sixth Sunday after Trinity, A. M. In St. John's Church, Ogdensburgh, I preached and confirmed thirty-two persons and celebrated. In the afternoon in St. Luke's, Lisbon, I preached, and in the evening in St. John's, Ogdensburgh, I baptized an infant and preached. Dr. Morrison continues his labour of love in Lisbon, and the Parish at Morristown, under a recent arrangement, gets the benefit of his assistant's services.

July 21, A. M. In St. Paul's Church, Waddington, I preached, confirmed ten persons and celebrated. In the afternoon, in the Presbyterian House of worship, for St. Philip's Mission, Madrid, I preached; and at night, in Trinity Chapel, Morley, I preached and confirmed fifteen persons.

July 22. In Grace Church, Canton, I preached and confirmed eight persons and celebrated. The enlargement and very great improvement of the Church building is the last of Mr. Champlin Harison's life-long labors of love for this Parish. In the evening in Trinity Church, Potsdam, I preached and confirmed eleven persons.

July 23, A. M. I confirmed one person in private in Potsdam. In the afternoon in Grace Church, Norfolk, I preached and confirmed three persons. This closed the Rev. Mr. Nesbitt's relation to the Parish, where his earnest work has revived a very real religious interest.

July 24, A. M. In St. John's Church, Massena, I preached and celebrated. In the evening in the Union Meeting House at Louisville Landing, I preached and confirmed eleven persons. It was a remarkable congregation, largely of men, crowding the building to suffocation. There is evidently room and need for a Church mission here among the old Church of England people, whom the energy of Rev. Mr. Goss has found out and roused to a desire for the Church. One only wonders that the religion, which could erect and use such buildings as this here and the one at Madrid, could have embers enough left, to be fanned into a spark.

July 25, St. James. In the quaint little chapel room for all Saints Mission, Barnhart's Island, I preached and celebrated, and in the evening in St. James Church, Hogansburgh, I preached. I made a great deal of this part of my visitation by boat on the St. Lawrence, and found it a welcome exchange for the long and rather dreary drives. The great river is the best part of St. Lawrence county so far as scenery goes.

July 26. In the afternoon in St. James' Church, Lawrenceville, I preached and confirmed five persons.

July 27, Seventh Sunday after Trinity, A. M. In St. Peter's Church, Brushton, I addressed the Sunday school after morning prayer, at 9 o'clock. At 10:30 I preached, confirmed two persons and celebrated. In the afternoon at St. Mark's Church, West Bangor, I preached and confirmed two persons. The gathering of the three Rectors (Messrs Cook, Royce and Savage) was very pleasant at these points. Mr. Cook has left the Mission after two years of excellent work, and it has been most difficult to supply his place. The work is hard and exposing and the stipend utterly insufficient. It must be increased next year. In the evening in St. Mark's Church, Malone, I preached and confirmed fifteen persons. No house in all the Diocese has given me more gracious and generous hospitality than the Rectory at Malone. This year it was tried to the extreme, by the Godspeed it gave me at 3:30 on Monday morning. Alas for the shadow that has fallen upon it, in the early death of one who was its light and life.

July 28. After a long journey I came to Port Henry and made the trip to Mineville, by the Ore Company's railroad. In the afternoon I laid the Corner Stone there of Immanuel Church, well named, for "God has been with us," of a truth in this work. I made the address. The Corner Stone, by Mr. Woodbridge's special desire, with which I sympathise, was really the first stone, and a big one too. It will be out of sight as *the* Corner Stone is, but the Church will really rest upon it, as it does on Him. The situation is very fine, commanding such a view as can hardly be surpassed in the world, of lake and mountains and islands. The welcome in the Company's house was more than cordial; and to be a partaker in Mr. Woodbridge's well-earned joy, repaid me for being just twenty-five hours out of bed and at work.

July 30. I laid the Corner Stone of Gloria Dei Church, Palenville. I am glad the march of the Church's empire is taking its way into the Catskills, as it has into the Adirondacks. It was a glorious afternoon; the drive both ways was a delight every second of the time, and every inch of the way. A goodly company had gathered. The Boy Choir of St. Luke's Church, Brooklyn, added great beauty and fervor to the scene and the service, by their presence in the surpliced procession, and their very sweet singing. There were present the Rev. Mr. Young, the Missionary, and Messrs. Stewart, Weeks and Grubbe of the Diocese, Abercrombie of New Jersey, Robertson of New York, and Sparks and Turner of Long Island (to whom we owed the presence of the choir). I made the address, and desire here again to recall my sense of the power of lay influence and interest to advance the Church. In the Catskills, as in the Adirondacks, it is a "beloved physician" who has done the work; and much as Mr. Weeks has done, by constant active interest and service. Dr. Chubb is the founder of the work here. After the corner stone laying we went, such of us as could get in, into a little building beautiful with laurel and evergreen and field daisies,

where the congregation have worshipped through the summer. I commend the ingenious economy of this idea, which combines cheapness with beauty and convenience; for nothing was used in its construction, but the timbers and boards, which are to go into the future Church. I confirmed five persons, and one afterward in private. •

July 31. I licensed Mr. Royal Baldwin Stearns a Lay Reader at Louisville Landing, under the Rev. Mr. Goss.

August 1, P. M. In Trinity Church, Sharon Springs, I preached, and confirmed fourteen persons.

August 10. In Trinity Church, Lenox, Mass., I preached morning and evening.

August 17. In Fire Island I celebrated the Holy Communion in the private parlor of dear friends from the Cathedral congregation, at which a goodly number of people received; and afterward, in the large parlor of the hotel, I preached.

August 18. I was in dear St. Mary's Church, Burlington, strangely enough the Senior Bishop, at the burial service of Bishop Odenheimer.

August 20. In Grace Church, Newark, I celebrated the Holy Communion and made the Address, by request of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, in memory of its Bishop.

August 31. In St. Peter's, in Galilee, Monmouth Beach, N. J., I preached.

September 7. In St. James' Chapel, Elberon, N. J., I preached and celebrated.

September 18. The new term of St. Agnes opened with a prospect more than fulfilled in the absolute fulness of the school.

September 21. I admitted Sister Charlotte a probationer in the Sisterhood, and celebrated in the Cathedral Chapel, and at 10:30 I preached.

September 28. The Dean closed his ministry in the Cathedral by celebrating and preaching, leaving behind him not only words of loving wisdom in his last sermon, but the remembrance of a man of God, devout, earnest, faithful, a true pattern of a Christian scholar and a Christian gentleman, reverent as a Priest and constant in his Pastoral office.

September 29. St. Michael and All Angels, I celebrated in the Cathedral Chapel, and opened the Industrial School to be hereafter connected with the Child's Hospital; that those who go out from us, saved from the uselessness of hopeless disease and yet crippled from full activity, may be able to take up some useful occupation for their support.

October 15. In New York at the Missionary Conference, and at a meeting of the Committee on Provinces.

October 19. At night in St. Paul's Church, Albany, I was present

at the Evening Service, the Bishop of Ohio preaching ably in the interest of Missions.

October 21. In St. Peter's Church, Albany, I celebrated at the opening service for the Church Congress, the Bishop of Connecticut preaching; and afterward in Tweddle Hall I made the Inaugural Address. In the next three days I presided at the sessions of the Church Congress. It was a gathering of very able men. The handling of many of the subjects, especially of those outside of the domain of theology, was, I think, masterly, and the impression of intellectual power in the Church, and often in the younger clergy, was very positive. I am very glad that the Congress came to Albany. The faults of this gathering among its many excellencies, were, in the first place, the unequal representation of the High Church School, which was not the fault of the Executive Committee; and in the second place the selection of some of the subjects. The Authority of Dogma is not a suitable subject for public discussion before such a hearing. We naturally take extreme positions, and make extreme statements, about a question, which is vital to the existence of the Church. If she is not an *Ecclesia docens*, she forfeits her commission, because she fails of her chartered duties; and not speaking "with authority," she is but as "one of the" human societies. The practical and the spiritual, the æsthetic and the evidential, the moral and educational questions of the day, these, rather than the mysteries of either truth or grace, are in my judgment the suitable questions for discussion before a mixed gathering of all sorts, conditions, and denominations of men. But no one who was here can doubt but that Albany speeded its parting guest, with a cordial certainty of satisfaction at its having been here, which was even more real, than the heartiness of expectation, which welcomed its coming.

Oct. 28. Saints Simon and Jude. I licensed as Lay Reader Mr. W. V. Willson under the Rev. Mr. Caird.

Oct. 29. I licensed as Lay Reader under the Rev. Mr. Rogers, Prof. Wendell Lamoroux.

Oct. 31. I lighted the Halloween fire on the hearth of the great School room in St. Agnes. I had been absent for two years from this occasion; and was only half present to-night. But it was a comfort to be there and to see so many happy children, in what is at least in some degree a *dulcis domus*.

Nov. 1. All Saints Day. I celebrated and preached in the Cathedral Chapel and kept our anniversary.

Nov. 19. I consecrated Immanuel Church, Mineville. The Rev. Mr. Cragg read the Instrument of donation and Dr. Harison the Sentence of Consecration: the Revs. Messrs. Woodbridge, Todrig, and Bull said Morning Prayer and I preached on the words, "God with us," and celebrated. The building of course is simple, but it is in admirable taste, churchly and convenient; and it is an infinite comfort to the

worshippers. As an accomplishment, it ranks among the most remarkable in the Diocesan history; and it was a true pleasure to be a sharer in Mr. Woodbridge's triumph, which was well earned by un-failing faith, untiring energy and, I am sure, unceasing prayer.

Nov. 26. Admitted Mr. Daniel Duroc, Candidate for Priest's orders.

Dec. 5. In Christ Church, Herkimer, I preached, confirmed five persons (a second confirmation) and celebrated. In the evening, in St. Augustine's Church, Ilion, I preached, and confirmed eight persons. It was really a good service with excellent music, and, as I trust and believe, the promise of even better things.

Dec. 10. I preached the sermon at the consecration of the Cathedral Church of Saints Peter and Paul, Chicago. The first Cathedral in point of organization, in America, and one of many catholic assertions of the late Bishop of Illinois, it has accomplished already at least two of the works, for which the Cathedral Institution is set in the Church a rich and reverent service, and the care of the poor. I thank God for every advancing step of appreciation of the Cathedral idea, and I am specially glad to find it rooting in the west. Spiritual husbandmen here, at the east, like eastern farmers, have a thin soil to work in, full of the stones and weeds of prejudice. But the soil of the west, rich to bring forth evil, I know, is rich also and quick, as virgin soil is wont to be, to ripen good seed sown in it. I quote a single paragraph of my sermon, as saying what is in my hopes and prayers:

“It is not unnatural that the free, fresh life of the great west teeming with untold capabilities should have given birth to the first Cathedral of America. It was really to the West, from the older Eastern civilization, that the Wise men came to worship, and finding Christ, went back far wiser than they came. It is really from the west, that eastern hills, at sunset, catch a glow of brighter glory than the sunrise gave them. We have long ago come to feel that the colour and control of national politics rests with you here. Send back to us two things to influence our ecclesiastical life at the east, the Province and the Cathedral, established and energized with your vitality, and you will have repaid the debt you owe that older portion of the country from which your life, spiritual and physical, is derived.”

I spent the next day in a pilgrimage to Racine; first to dear DeKoven's grave, which lay under its cross of flowers in the cold and snowy day, as his assured rest in Paradise contrasts with this wintry world; and then to Racine College, whose noble buildings are like Oxford young, and whose deep and widespread power are the permanent memorials of one of the loveliest, most learned, most laborious and holiest men this century has produced.

Dec. 14th. Third Sunday in Advent, P. M., in Grace Church Waterford, I preached and confirmed nine persons. The Church has



been thoroughly renewed inside and out, and is greatly improved. What is better, this is all paid for, and the Parish is free from debt. And best of all is the manifest spirit of unity and interest and energy.

During the week beginning Dec. 14th I was present when I could be, at a week of mission services in the Cathedral Chapel, with daily Eucharists, an added noon office, and a service of preaching, beside the daily Morning and Evening Prayer which is always said. The purpose of the Mission was "to deepen the sense of the importance of a life lived more in the presence of God and in the expectation of the second coming of Christ." I desire to record my sense of obligations to the Rev. Mr. Courtney of New York, the Rev. A. C. A. Hall of Boston, and of my own clergy, to Dr. Williams, Mr. Norton and President Potter for their help to the clergy of the Cathedral in this work.

Dec. 17. A. M. in Lebanon Springs, I confirmed two persons in the Rector's house. In spite of an early start and an extra drive I failed, or rather the train failed, to reach Lebanon in time for the appointed service, and so I could not meet the congregation, which I greatly regretted. The building of a Chapel here seems to be, at last, within our reach. I earnestly urge Mr. Hooper's claim upon our laymen for the comparatively small sum still needed. In the evening, in the Lutheran Chapel at Chatham, I preached and confirmed two persons.

Dec. 21. St. Thomas., Fourth Sunday in Advent, I preached the closing sermon in the Cathedral course of special Advent sermons.

Dec. 23. In Christ Church, Duaneburgh, A. M., I preached and confirmed eight persons and celebrated.

Dec. 28. St. John the Evangelist. In the Cathedral Chapel I admitted Sister Emilie, a Sister Probationer, in the Sisterhood of the Holy Child Jesus, and celebrated.

Jan. 2. I licensed Mr. Edward W. Neil as a Lay reader under the Rev. Dr. Howard in Potsdam.

Jan. 4. In the Chapel of the Old Men's Home, Albany, after a shortened evening service, with the Rev. Dr. Van Rensselaer, Mr. Breed and Mr. Smith present, I preached and confirmed one of the inmates. A goodly gathering was present of the friends and supporters of this admirable charity. The house, in its excellent order, the evident comfort of the inmates, and its cheerful brightness, was very attractive. And the services were very touching to us all as a ministry of comfort to the old men with "staves in their hands for very age," tending toward that "valley of the shadow," in which the Lord's Staff only can comfort them.

Jan. 5. In the Cathedral Chapel, I made the address at the Epiphany celebration of the Cathedral Sunday School.

I have a good report to make of the central Institutions. St. Agnes School has never had a better term in point of health, good order, ~~work~~, discipline and numbers, than the one which is just closing.

With all its addition of anxious responsibility, its condition is a great comfort, and I commend it, never more cordially, to the confidence of the church as a healthful, happy, honest, Christian School.

The Child's Hospital, too, is still prospered abundantly by the blessing of God and the interest of men. Indeed my only fear is that, in its prosperity, it will outgrow the interest and sympathy of churchmen in the Diocese, thinking it not in need of their gifts. We greatly desire to keep fresh the generous sympathy opened to us when the work began; and the mere fact of gifts, large or little, from all the Sunday schools, and from laymen at various points of the Diocese is in itself a cheer. I am most thankful to record the munificent gift from St. John's Parish in Troy of \$2,500, with which we have completed a small building, known as St. John's House, and so gained some more and greatly needed room. Given as a thank offering for a child's recovery from illness, it will make possible the extension of the same blessing of restored health to other children. We greatly need \$15,000 to make still larger accommodations. It is very hard to refuse applications that press upon us, or to send children away half relieved, in order to make room for cases of more pressing need. I would God that some parents, rejoicing in a life given back, or grieving for a life lost to them on earth, would make memorial in this way, of their grief or their thankfulness. No one who knows how wealth relieves suffering, though it cannot control it; no one who sees how poverty enhances pain and almost insures death, can fail to feel, how sweet and suitable, as thank offering or as memorial a building is, or a bed even, endowed to give the blessings of nursing and medicine and air and cleanliness to the sick poor.

The Sisterhood of the Holy Child Jesus, founded for the work of christian teaching and christian nursing to children, carries on with great faithfulness its admirable work in the School and in the Hospital.

It is right for me to add that my family have made additions, which health and comfort made absolutely necessary, to the Bishop's house. Done at no cost to the Diocese, it has certainly increased the value of the property. And I have been compelled, for the preservation of the rest of the house, to make certain repairs; an accurate statement of the cost of which, I shall submit to the Convention. The care of this property ought to be devolved upon a special committee. As it is now, there is no one with either authority or responsibility to look after or to pay for such repairs. During eight years, almost nothing has been spent on the house except by myself. Of course, as a life tenant, I ought not, and I am not able, to keep it in repair; and I ask the Convention to appoint a committee to make provision in such way, as it may deem wise, for the payment of what has just been expended on actual and necessary repairs; and to take charge of the Bishop's house in the future.



I wonder often, as I look back upon the history of this Diocese, whether the clergy ever remember the rubric in the Visitation Office which bids them put men "in remembrance *often* to take order for the settling of their temporal estates whilst they are in health," and also requires them "not to omit to move such sick persons, as are of ability, to be liberal to the poor." It is of course far better for men to give rather than to bequeath; to be their own almoners; to let their *good deeds* be "open beforehand, going before them unto judgment;" to have the comfort of seeing results; to avoid the uncertainties of testamentary violations. But with so few instances of really large givers, there ought to be the offset of legacies to churchly and charitable objects. I can remember only a few instances in this Diocese, since my consecration, of any moneys left to its good works: Mr. Dewitt, Mr. Corning, Dr. Tibbits, Mr. Tweddle, Mrs. Hubbell, Mrs. Shannon, Miss Swann, Mrs. Warren, and Mrs. Linturn. "Il est mort dans les plus grands sentimens de piété sans rien donner à l'église," l'Abbé Le Dieu wrote of a French gentleman, "Dead in the grandest sentiments of piety without giving any thing to the Church." It is too much true among ourselves. It is a poor formula of life; a poor epitaph after death. I want this thought to enter into the hearts of the laymen of this Diocese, to seed in them, "whilst they are in health." Such Incorporations as the Aged and Infirm Clergy," and the "Widows and Orphans of Clergy" funds, or the fund for the support of the Episcopate are well adapted to receive and administer bequests; and in many an instance you would be providing for those who "have sown unto you spiritual things," or for their children. The founding of a Stall in the Cathedral is another excellent subject for a trust; by which a missionary might be supported, in which a young Deacon might be enabled to pass his training time; or where an "aged and infirm clergyman" might spend, in religious retirement, in holy services, in study, in extending to others the wealth of his own experience, the even-tide of his life, the burthen and heat of whose day has been spent and borne in the Master's service and in yours. I have a strong feeling that the Mission work in the Diocese ought to be cared for, year by year, by the living laymen of the Church. And if the old Diocese will make good the pledge on which she set us off, or if the funds, that need raising now for the support of the Episcopate, were provided for by endowment, this could be easily done. And parishioners had better support their own parishes, by their gifts from year to year. But other works, not so actually referring to the duties and demands of the day, ought to be in part at least endowed.

The Orphan House of the Holy Saviour at Cooperstown should not be left to the anxious uncertainty of a yearly offering, from each of a few parishes. It has greatly enlarged this year its usefulness and its **expenses** by receiving children from the poor-house of Otsego

county. No more gracious work could be undertaken, than to bring such waifs as these under the softening and elevating influences of christian example and care. Will not some one secure, by gift or bequest, the erection of suitable buildings for this work, and a fund for its certain permanence and support. And the Institutions in Albany—diocesan truly, if not technically in their organization and influence—ought to be put beyond entire dependence upon tuition fees or gifts, or civil appropriations. I am thankful to be able to say, that the remarkable success and good name of the School lifts it out of the domain of charity; for its receipts are so far larger than its expenses, as to have made some inroad every year upon its debt. And I am proud, if one may be, of the recognized fact that no school in America to-day offers such advantages, at any thing like the charges of St. Agnes. But it is my great desire to pay off the debt; to add a needed building; to keep up and advance if possible the standard; to have some more free scholarships for the daughters of the clergy; and to make the charges even lower than they are, to be within the reach of many to whom a good education for their children is the only gift they can make them, and the chief aim and desire of their lives. I beg that the permanence and the extended usefulness of St. Agnes School may be among the objects our laity will think of, “whilst they are in health,” to give or to leave money to.

I may say the same thing too, of the Child's Hospital, so far as its immediate needs are concerned. It has never since its beginning, nearly five years ago, been in debt. Its accounts are settled every month. And while we have come sometimes at a month's end to have only a dollar's balance, when the bills are paid, money enough has always come. But it is a kind of work which ought to be made lasting and to be made larger. Its wise and economical administration of charity to the most appealing of all needs commends it to all who want to have the *good* “they do, live after them,” who would be glad to know that “their works follow them,” “when they rest from their labors.”

I append to this Address the legal titles of all the Incorporations which I have mentioned; and I should be thankful to feel that this part of my Address could carry with it half the earnestness and urgency, which invests so important a subject. It is not to our credit, that the religious denominations about us should receive from year to year legacies of large amounts, while our people forget this duty almost all together. There can be no excuse of poverty, for there is really great wealth in this Church. There can be no excuse of the neglect of home provisions. For the nine-tenths that remain, after the tithe had been bequeathed to religious or charitable works, would be enough to be often a curse and a cause of ruin, to children left, without stimulus of exertion, to habits of extravagance and luxurious sin. It cannot be that men are anxious to avoid the appearance even of trying to buy Heaven, by the bequests of a death-bed repentance. For

the very bodies, who most denounce the "merit of works" encourage this habit of leaving money to religion and charity. No, my beloved. It is the forgetfulness of the solemn responsibility of men's stewardship for wealth. It is that strange unwillingness, to think of and prepare for *the* account, that makes men postpone their will-making; till it cannot be done with wise forethought and composed prevision. It is indifference and thoughtlessness, too often. And while we hold to the only truth of salvation "by faith in Jesus Christ," we know that faith is shown by works; that almsdeeds like those of Cornelius and Dorcas are acceptable to God; that to have built a place of worship was the ground of recognized commendation to the Master; that Nehemiah's prayer is the rightful utterance of an instinctive and an honorable human desire: "Remember me, O my God, and wipe not out the good deeds that I have done;" "Remember me, O my God, and spare me according to the greatness of thy mercy;" "Remember me, O my God, for good.

The detailed record of acts is as follows:

Confirmed, 1,086; Celebrations of the Holy Communion, 91 (2 in private); Sermons, 167; Addresses, 14; Clergy dismissed, 12; Clergy received, 12; Clergy added by ordination, 10. Present number of Clergy: Bishop, 1; Priests, 107; Deacons, 11; total 119. Priests ordained, 6; Deacons ordained, 4; Ordinations, 10; Postulants admitted, 8; Total Postulants, 12. Candidates for Deacon's Order, admitted, 4; for Priest's Order, 7; total Candidates for Deacon's Order, 13; for Priest's Order, 11: total Candidates for Holy Orders, 17; Licensed as Lay Readers, 11; Churches Consecrated, 3; Corner-stones laid, 2; \* Baptisms, Adults, 8, Infants, 5, 13; Marriages, 4; Burials, 5; Clergyman deposed, 1; Notices of Depositions received, 6.

I have attended the regular meetings of the Board of Missions, the Cathedral Chapter, the Trustees of the Corning Foundation, and the Managers of the Child's Hospital, and one meeting of the Committee on the Provincial System.

I have not visited seventeen of the Parishes and Missions in the Diocese. Of the seventeen, however, five are without any services or any congregation; five were vacant when the visitation was appointed and desired a postponement; and of the other seven, the visitation has been deferred on consultation with the clergy. Seven of the Parishes have been visited more than once.

#### ORDINATIONS, A. D. 1879.

June 8. Edwin Ruthven Armstrong, and William B. Burrows, to the Diaconate, and the Revs. Alexander McMillan, Scott Bogie Rathbun,

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\* Services in the Cathedral are not reported here.

and Bradford Randall Kirkbride, to the Priesthood, in the Cathedral Chapel.

June 14. W. C. Sherman, to the Diaconate, in the Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour, Faribault, by the Rt. Rev. H. B. Whipple.

June 29. The Rev. John Dolby Skene, to the Priesthood, in St. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls.

July 13. John Nehemiah Marvin, to the Diaconate, in Trinity Church, Plattsburgh.

**CLERGYMEN RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.**

Feb. 11. The Rev. W. J. W. Finlay from the Diocese of Ontario.

Feb. 13. The Rev. Aubrey F. Todrig, from the Diocese of Western New York.

March 8. The Rev. D. E. Loveridge, from the Diocese of Central New York.

March 8. The Rev. William Levi Bull, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

June 13. The Rev. Joseph H. Young, from the Diocese of Long Island.

June 19. The Rev. William M. Barker, from the Diocese of Connecticut.

June 27. The Rev. John Clough Tebbetts, from the Diocese of New York.

July 7. The Rev. Silas M. Rogers, from the Diocese of Massachusetts.

Sept. 10. The Rev. Pelham Williams, S. T. D., from the Diocese of Massachusetts.

Sept. 26. The Rev. Hobart Clarence Brayton, from the Diocese of New York.

Oct. 25. The Rev. H. C. E. Costelle, from the Diocese of Arkansas.

Nov. 17. The Rev. Reginald H. Barnes, from the Diocese of New York.

Dec. 4. The Rev. Norman Hammond Burnham, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

**CLERGYMEN DISMISSED TO OTHER DIOCESES.**

Jan. 11. The Rev. James H. Smith, to the Diocese of Fond du Lac.

April 7. The Rev. Reginald H. Barnes, to the Diocese of New York.

April 21. The Rev. R. Harding, and the Rev. W. H. N. Stewart, LL. D., to the Diocese of Jamaica.

May 30. The Rev. Edward M. Pecke, to the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

Aug. 19. The Rev. W. C. Sherman, to the Diocese of Missouri.

Sept. 19. The Rev. J. R. L. Nisbett, to the Diocese of New York.

Oct. 16. The Rev. John Townsend, to the Diocese of Connecticut.

Oct. 31. The Rev. J. H. Young, to the Diocese of New Jersey.

Nov. 27. The Rev. Robert Granger, to the Diocese of Central New York.

Dec. 12. The Rev. Alexander McMillan, to the Diocese of New York.

Dec. 12. The Rev. Richard C. Searing, to the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

#### POSTULANTS, A. D. 1875.

April 1. Olin Hallock.

May 4. J. R. Arrowsmith.

A. D. 1876.

Oct. 16. James Hawley.

A. D. 1877.

March 1. H. H. Metcalf.

Nov. 1. John D. Kennedy.

A. D. 1878.

Dec. 22. C. D. Flagler.

A. D. 1879.

March 25. W. E. Johnson, John E. Bold.

May 31. Joseph Jameson, Jerome Eddy Newkirk, Normand Smith Boardman.

June 1. Charles A. Kafka.

Sept. 6. George L. Neide, Jr.

#### CANDIDATES FOR DEACON'S ORDER, A. D. 1876.

March 9, Mr. John B. Hubbs, Mr. Townend Glover Jackson.

A. D. 1877.

December 18, Mr. Robert H. Neide, Mr. John Prout, Mr. Charles C. Edmunds, Jr

A. D. 1878.

July 20, Mr. William Dinsmore Maxon, Mr. Frederick Thompson, Mr. William B. Guion. September 21, Mr. Jacob Streibert, Jr. December 20, Mr. Arthur B. Morehouse.

A. D. 1879.

May 31, Mr. J. Everett Johnson. September 6, Mr. Harry L. Cawthorne, Mr. Daniel W. Duroc. Nov. 3, Mr. Walter J. Wicks.

#### CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDER, A. D. 1876.

The Rev. Newton Dexter.

A. D. 1878.

Jan. 22, Mr. John Prout, Mr. C. C. Edmunds, Jr. September 21 Mr. Jacob. Streibert, Jr.

**A. D. 1879.**

January 6, Mr. Frederick James Bassett. January 30, Mr. John B. Hubbs. February 26, Mr. Wm. Booth Guion, Mr. Wm. Densmore Maxon. April 9, The Rev. Edwin R. Armstrong. August 4, Mr. Townsend G. Jackson. November 26, Mr. Daniel Duroc.

**LAY READERS LICENSED.**

January 17, 1879, Mr. O. D. Flagler, Lake George, under Rev. C. H. Lancaster.

February 29, 1879, Mr. Geo. P. Bristol, Franklin, under the Rev. Mr. Loveridge.

March 31, 1879, Mr. Arthur B. Morehouse, Schenectady, under the Rev. Dr. Payne.

June 12, 1879, Dr. Phillips and Mr. Frank Chapman, Morristown, under the Rev. Dr. Morrison.

June 12, 1879, Mr. F. C. Jewell, Lebanon Springs, under the Rev. Joseph Hooper.

June 24, 1879. Mr. Eli C. Burr, Ballston, under the Rev. Mr. Delafield.

July 31, 1879, Mr. Royal Baldwin Stearns, Louisville Landing, under the Rev. Mr. Goss.

October 28, 1879, Mr. W. V. Willson, Troy, under the Rev. Mr. Caird.

October 29, 1879, Prof. Wendell Lamoroux, Schenectady, under the Rev. Mr. Rogers.

January 2, 1880, Mr. Edward W. Neil, Potsdam, under the Rev. Dr. Howard.

**CLERGYMAN DEPOSED.**

March 7, Robert E. Terry, Priest.

**NOTICES OF CLERGY DEPOSED.**

April 18, C. Inglis Chapin, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

May 7, A. J. Faust, Deacon, by the Assistant Bishop of Maryland.

July 2, Samuel W. Seton, Presbyter, by the Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas.

July 7, George W. Brown, Presbyter, by the Bishop of New Hampshire.

Nov. 3, George W. Benjamin, Deacon, by the Bishop of Long Island.

November 3, William B. Musgrave, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Long Island.

**CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS WITHDRAWN.**

Mr. Irving Crandall, of the Diocese of Albany.

Mr. Allan L. McDonald, of the Diocese of Kentucky.

## NOTICE.

St. Luke's Church, Richfield, and St. Mark's Church, Garrattsville, having neglected, for three years or more than three years in succession, to make a parochial report, no missionary report being made on their behalf, and also, not having employed a clergyman as Parish minister, or requested of the Ecclesiastical Authority to have the services of a missionary, have lost their connection with the Convention.

## LEGAL TITLES OF VARIOUS INCORPORATIONS IN THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY.

The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany.

The Corning Foundation for Christian Work in the Diocese of Albany; (Trustee for St. Agnes School and the Child's Hospital.).

The Trustees of the Orphan House and Industrial School of the Holy Saviour, at or near Cooperstown, N. Y.

The Trustees of the Fund for the Support of the Aged and Infirm clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Albany.

The Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Albany.

The Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany and its vicinity.

The Cathedral of All Saints, in the city and Diocese of Albany.

After the Service, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop of the Diocese.

In accordance with Section i, Canon I, of the Diocese, the Bishop presented the "List of Clergy canonically resident in the Diocese."

The Secretary called the roll of the Clergy, and eighty-six answered to their names.\*

The roll of Parishes entitled to representation was called, and the Bishop appointed the Rev. G. L. Neide and Mr. Henry J. Estcourt as a Committee, with the Assistant Secretary, to examine the credentials of the Lay Delegates.

The Committee presented the credentials of sixty-six Parishes as correct.

The Assistant Secretary then called the names of the Delegates, and thirty-eight Parishes were found to be represented.†

A constitutional quorum being present, the Rt. Rev. President declared the Convention organized, and ready for business.

The election of officers being in order, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with.

\* See List of the Clergy, page 8.

† See List of Lay Deputies, page 8.



The Rev. W. C. Prout was elected Secretary, Mr. Selden E. Marvin, Treasurer, and the Rev. George Fisher, Registrar.

The Secretary appointed the Rev. Thomas B. Fulcher as the Assistant Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D., it was

*Resolved*, That Clergymen of other Dioceses, Professors and Students of Theology in the Episcopal Church, and all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present, be invited to seats in the Convention.

The Rt. Rev. President having announced the invitation, the Rev. Julius Ungar, of the Diocese of Central New York; the Rev. John Townsend, of the Diocese of Connecticut, and Mr. Selden E. Marvin, Treasurer of the Diocese, took seats.

The Committee appointed to examine the credentials of the Lay Delegates reported the certificates from St. John's Church, Richfield Springs, St. Mark's Church, Malone, and Calvary Church, Burnt Hills, as defective.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Harison these certificates were laid on the table.

The Rev. J. W. Stewart presented the following :

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the amendment proposed by the Rev. Canon Coan, to the Standing Order of the Conduct of Elections, respectfully report:

The Committee, recognizing the importance of conducting the elections in an orderly way, and guarding as much as possible against misunderstanding on the part of the electors, believe that the object intended by the mover of the proposed amendment can be secured by the following resolution, of which they recommend the adoption :

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be directed at each Convention to prepare ballots for the offices to be then filled, containing the names of the persons holding those offices and who have not desired to be excused from service, with a note indicating the whole number to be chosen.

J. W. STEWART,  
*Chairman.*

The resolution contained in the report was adopted.

On motion of the Secretary it was

*Resolved*, That the Rules of Order of the last Convention be adopted as the Rules of Order of this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison it was

*Ordered*, That the Evening Prayer be said each day at five o'clock, and a recess then taken until 7 1-2 o'clock ; and that on the second day of the session the Holy Communion be celebrated at 7 A. M. ; Morning Prayer and Litany said at 9 ; and a recess taken from 1 until 2 o'clock.



The Rt. Rev. President appointed the regular Committees :

**ON THE INCORPORATION AND ADMISSION OF CHURCHES.**

The Rev. S. H. Coxe, D. D.,

Messrs. O. D. Ball, M. D.,  
Stillman Foote.

**ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.**

The Rev. J. W. Stewart,  
The Rev. Francis Harison, S. T. D.,  
The Rev. G. W. Dean, S. T. D.,  
The Rev. Walter Delafield,

Messrs. Orlando Meads,  
James Forsyth,  
James Gibson.

**ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER.**

Messrs. R. S. Oliver,

George St. John.

**ON THE DIOCESAN FUND AND MILEAGE OF THE CLERGY.**

The Rev. Frank L. Norton,  
The Rev. Wm. B. Walker,

Messrs. T. R. Wade,  
R. C. McEwen, M. D.,  
S. E. Marvin.

**ON DIOCESAN MISSIONS.**

The Rev. Pelham Williams, S. T. D.,  
The Rev. J. H. Houghton,

Messrs. H. R. Pierson,  
P. V. Hagner.

**ON THE BISHOP'S SALARY AND THE EPISCOPAL FUND.**

The Rev. Walker Gwynne,  
The Rev. W. N. Irish,

Messrs. G. P. Keese,  
George H. Cramer.

**ON THE FUND FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGY-  
MEN.**

The Rev. J. N. Mulford,

Mr. S. M. Van Santvoord.

**ON THE AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.**

The Rev. R. G. Hamilton,

Messrs. G. H. F. Van Horne,  
H. T. E. Brower.

**ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.**

The Rev. E. T. Chapman,  
The Rev. J. E. Hall,

Messrs. George B. McCartee,  
J. K. Paige,  
F. A. W. Armstrong,  
G. B. Warren.

**ON THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF RELIGION AND LEARNING.**

The Rev. C. C. Edmunds,  
The Rev. John C. Tebbetts,

Mr. R. H. Cushney.

**ON NON-REPORTING CLERGY AND PARISHES.**

The Rev. H. M. Smyth,

Mr. Richard Leonard.

**ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**

The Rev. T. B. Fulcher,  
The Rev. Byron J. Hall,

Mr. John L. Van Valkenburgh.

**ON THE REGISTRAR'S REPORT.**

The Rev. J. B. Pitman,

Mr. B. M. Duane.

**ON THE ORPHAN HOUSE AT COOPERSTOWN.**

The Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D.,

Mr. Julius St. John.

**ON THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP.**

The Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D.,  
The Rev. W. W. Battershall, D. D.,

Messrs. G. B. Warren,  
J. J. Tillinghast,  
Erastus Corning,  
Walter A. Wood,  
W. E. Thorn,  
J. W. Tillinghast.

The following named Reports were received and referred to the appropriate Committees:

The Report of the Treasurer.

The Report of the Board of Diocesan Missions.

The Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund and of the Bishop's Salary.

The Report of the Trustees of the Fund for Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and the Treasurer of the same.

Report of the Trustees of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, and the Treasurer of the same.

The Report of the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning.

The Report of the Registrar of the Diocese.

The Reports from the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, Cooperstown.

The Assistant Secretary of the last Convention presented and read the following :

**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.**

**NORTH GRANVILLE, N. Y., *January* 12, 1880.**

The Assistant Secretary respectfully reports that since the removal from the Diocese of the Rev. E. M. Pecke, he has had charge of the books, papers, etc., belonging to the office of the Secretary, and has performed to the best of his ability the duties devolving upon him. There is one Special Committee to report to this Convention, viz. : The Committee of Three to settle with the Diocese of New York as to the Episcopal Fund.

Besides the regular Annual Elections, the Convention must elect four Clergymen and four Laymen to act as Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention to be held in New York city, in October; also four Clergymen and four Laymen to act as Provisional Deputies.

The Convention must also nominate fifteen persons to the General Convention for election as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

There are two Deputies to the Federate Council to be elected, to fill the vacancies occasioned by the removal from the Diocese of the Rev. E. M. Pecke and the Rev. James Haughton.

A certificate of nomination for election as members of the Board of Missions has been received from the Secretary of the Ogdensburgh Convocation, viz. : of the Rev. Charles S. Olmsted to be Clerical Member, and Mr. T. Streatfield Clarkson to be Lay Member.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. PROUT, *Assistant Secretary.*

*To the Convention of the Diocese of Albany.*

The Rev. Dr. Reese presented and read the

## REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Albany present to the Convention the following report :

The Committee have held eight meetings. At the first meeting, held January 15th, the Rev. Dr. Payne was elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Reese Secretary.

They have recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Priesthood :

The Rev. John Dolby Skene,

The Rev. Alexander McMillan,

The Rev. Bradford Randall Kirkbride,

The Rev. Scott Bogie Rathbun,

The Rev. William M. Barker.

They have recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate :

Edwin Ruthven Armstrong,

John Nehemiah Marvin,

William Charles Sherman,

William B. Burrows,

Frederick Thompson.

They have recommended as Candidates for Holy Orders :

William Everett Johnson,

Daniel W. Devoe,

Harry L. Cawthorne,

Walter J. Wickes,

Charles D. Flagler.

The canonical assent of the Committee was given to the Consecration of the ~~Rev. Samuel Smith Harris, D. D., to the Episcopate of Michigan, the Rev. Thomas~~ ~~A. Starkey, D. D., to the Episcopate of Northern New Jersey, and the Rev. John~~ ~~N. Galleher, D. D., to the Episcopate of Louisiana.~~

At a meeting held in Troy, June 12th, the death of Mr. Thomas A. Tillinghast ~~who~~, who, from the organization of the Diocese, had been a member of the Commit ~~tee~~, was announced, and the following record was ordered upon the minutes :

From the time of the organization of the Diocese of Albany, our dear friend ~~and~~ and brother has been a most faithful and diligent member of this Committee ~~and~~. Never absent from its meetings, he brought to its deliberations his sound judgment, his practical business experience, and the sympathies and love of his great generous heart. It is with no ordinary feelings of grief the Committee place ~~this~~ this record upon their minutes. They have lost not only a fellow worker in God ~~'s~~ church, from whose wisdom and judgment they have often learned, but a friend ~~and~~ and brother beloved, who had made himself dear to their hearts. And though ~~h~~ they yield him with un murmuring submission to his Heavenly Father for th ~~at~~ higher and better service of the Saints in Paradise, yet they will ever be cheer ~~ed~~ and comforted by the memory of his pure and spotless life and his untiring devotion to the church he so dearly loved.

The Standing Committee, as sharers in a common sorrow, desire to convey to the family of their dear brother their deepest sympathies, and their prayers ~~that~~ at the Blessed Master whom he so faithfully served may give them the comfort of that peace which will turn their darkness into light.

At a meeting held September 6th, Mr. Joseph W. Fuller, of Troy, was unani-

mously elected a member of the Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Tillinghast.

At a meeting held November 3d, the Standing Committee resolved to attend, as the representatives of the Diocese, the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Consecration of the Bishop of New York to the Episcopate. The President was authorized in the name of the Committee to present the following address to the Bishop of New York:

RT. REV. HORATIO POTTER, D. D., LL. D., D. C. L.:

*Reverend Father in God*—The Diocese of Albany, represented by its Standing Committee, claims a part in you and in the pleasant associations of this anniversary of your Consecration to the Episcopate.

We cannot forget that the voice of the Church in Northern New York was prominent in your call to that high office, and we desire to add that, when afterward we became an independent Diocese, it was not from any wish to be separated from the Bishop of our choice.

Most gladly do we, therefore, join in the many congratulations and testimonials which are presented to you to-day. Be assured that the daughter Diocese still cherishes the grateful memory of the supervision you formerly exercised, and preserves for you that unabated love and esteem which years and absence have not diminished. During the many years of the Rectorship of St. Peter's, Albany, and afterward of your Episcopate of the undivided Diocese of New York, your labors, your counsels, your character, your influence, wrought their happy effects among us and have become a heritage the value of which can be measured only as time and eternity shall disclose the value of all things. The good seed which you scattered as you went from place to place has, by the blessing of God, taken root and is bringing forth its fruit. The life you inspired in our parishes still lives, and the blessing you brought to our homes when you rested beneath our roofs is still affectionately remembered.

We unite, also, with your own Diocese in expressing to you, with all the fullness of our hearts, our wishes for the abundant overflowing of the Divine Blessing upon your head, and for your continued health and happiness. May the remainder of your days be as full of peace and comfort to yourself as your life in the past has been fruitful in good to your fellow men.

At a meeting held December 13th, the canonical consent was given to the Wardens and Vestry of St. John's Church, Richfield Springs, to sell the ground on which their old church building stood.

As applications from students in the junior and middle classes of the Theological Seminaries to be ordained to the Diaconate were increasing in number, the Committee, after consultation with the Bishop, adopted this resolution:

*Resolved.* That in the judgment of the Standing Committee it is inadvisable unless for reasons that shall be deemed conclusive by the Bishop, to recommend for ordination candidates for Holy Orders who intend after ordination to continue their theological studies at the Seminary.

WM. PAYNE, *President.*

J. LIVINGSTON REESE, *Secretary.*

ALBANY, *January* 18, 1880.

The Secretary read the

## REPORT OF THE BIBLE AND COMMON PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY OF ALBANY AND ITS VICINITY.

The Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany and its Vicinity respectfully report that they have distributed (in addition to sales) 204 Bibles, 1,488

Prayer Books (eighteen, 16 mo.), and 830 Hymnals, making a total of 2,502 volumes. In addition to these, 2 Bibles, 40 Prayer Books and 21 Hymnals were sold by the Corresponding Secretary, and a considerable number by the Troy Depository. Subjoined hereto is an abstract of the report of the Treasurer.

By order of the Society,  
WALKER GWYNNE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ABSTRACT OF THE REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last account.....	\$183 84
Income of Permanent Fund.....	732 00
Offerings from forty-one Parishes .....	357 36
Receipts from sales .....	25 68
Part of Mrs. Lintern's legacy.....	50 00
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	\$1,298 88
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PAYMENTS.

Amount paid for books.....	\$849 33
Miscellaneous expenses.....	7 10
Transferred to Permanent Fund.....	400 00
Balance to new account.....	42 45
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	\$1,298 88
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H. B. DAUCHY, *Treasurer.*

Mr. James Forsyth presented and read :

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THREE TO SETTLE WITH  
THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK AS TO THE EPISCOPAL  
FUND.

*To the Convention of the Diocese of Albany :*

The Committee of Three appointed by the Convention of 1876, and continued by successive Conventions to this time, and to whom were referred the claims of this Diocese for aid from the Diocese of New York toward the endowment of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany, beg leave to report, that under the authority of the Convention your committee prepared and circulated in the Diocese of New York, in the month of September last, a petition, of which the following is a copy :

*To the Convention of the Diocese of New York :*

The Petition of the Convention of the Diocese of Albany — by a Committee duly appointed for that purpose — asking for aid toward the endowment of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany, respectfully shows :

At the time of the division of the Diocese of New York in 1868, and the erection of the Diocese of Albany, it was steadily contemplated in all the proceedings that the new Diocese of Albany, embracing Northern New York, was entitled to and should receive pecuniary assistance from the old Diocese toward the endowment of its Episcopal Fund.

Bishop Potter in his annual address to Convention, October 1, 1868, says (page 24): " One word only in conclusion, in reference to the New Dioceses about to be

formed out of portions of the Diocese of New York. Without anticipating the report of the Committee, now soon to be presented, I trust I only express the general feeling of this part of the Diocese when I say, that the remaining and old Diocese of New York ought ever to cherish a warm interest in those whom she is now dismissing to a separate and independent existence. Especially ought this to be so in regard to the new Diocese in the North. For a long time to come her feeble parishes and mission stations will be numerous in proportion to her self-supporting and wealthy parishes. She has been willing to make this venture of faith; and undoubtedly in every such case, the true interest and dignity of a Diocese will be best promoted, in the long run, by cultivating a spirit of independence and self-reliance. Nevertheless, they are our brethren, with whom we have long taken sweet counsel, and I trust that our hearts will ever be open to reasonable appeals in behalf of their pious and charitable works. It will be remembered that at the last annual Convention a Committee was appointed to endeavor to raise an endowment of forty thousand dollars, in addition to the endowment of forty thousand dollars for the Episcopate, to be raised in the North. So long as the success of the Northern effort was a matter of doubt, it was impossible for the Committee to make any progress with their work in this part of the Diocese. Now that the success in the North and the organization of a Diocese there are become a certainty, I hope that further efforts here may be more prosperous. Trinity Church encourages these efforts by offering \$5,000, on condition that the entire sum of \$40,000 be made up in this part of the Diocese. I would recommend that the Committee appointed at the last Convention be continued with a view to the renewal of their efforts, and I would most heartily commend them to the good-will and liberality of our brethren in this section of the Diocese." (N. Y. Conv. Journal of 1868, p. 132.)

The Committee of Fifteen on the erection of the proposed new Dioceses, recommended the adoption of the following resolution; and the same was adopted by the Convention of New York on the 14th day of November, 1867:

"V. (1.) That this Convention recognizes the duty resting on the older and more wealthy portions of the Diocese to aid liberally in the endowment of the Episcopate of the new Diocese in Northern New York, and most earnestly commends this measure to the sympathies and generous contributions of the members of the Church.

"(2.) That a Special Committee of Seven be appointed (with power to add to their number), to take such measures as to them may seem most expedient, for the accomplishment of the important object contemplated by this resolution." N. Y. Conv. Journal of 1867, p. 98.)

A Committee of Seven was appointed by the Convention of the Diocese of New York in 1867, "On the endowment of the Episcopate of the new Diocese in Northern New York," according to the fifth resolution above set forth, consisting of the Rev. William F. Morgan, D. D., the Rev. Morgan Dix, D. D., the Rev. Edward A. Washburn, D. D., Messrs. Edward Jones, George Merritt, Edward Haight and William Alexander Smith, which Committee was continued until 1869, and collected \$1,325.00, and were then discharged (N. Y. Conv. Journal 1869, p. 37), and a new Committee of Seven appointed, consisting of the Rev. Alfred B. Beach, D. D., the Rev. George H. Houghton, D. D., the Rev. Cornelius E. Swope, D. D., Messrs. John Buckley, Jr., William H. Guion, Hamilton Bruce and Theodosius Bartow (Jour., p. 78).

The money collected by the first above-named Committee, and now deposited in bank, with interest to September 26, 1877, amounts to \$1,438.72, as appears by the report of Edward Haight, Treasurer of that date (N. Y. Conv. Journal 1878,

p. 58), and which is all the money that has been raised, under the resolution aforesaid, by the said two Committees, or either of them, or by any other persons, in the Diocese of New York for the object contemplated. viz.: "The Endowment of the Episcopate of the New Diocese in Northern New York," to the knowledge or belief of your petitioner.

The great need of the Diocese of Albany is apparent, when it is known that its Episcopal Fund is now only \$38,059.25, after ten years of effort to increase it. Whereas, \$80,000 was the sum fixed upon to be raised, one-half of it to come from the old Diocese. (See Bishop Potter's address above quoted.)

The Bishop's salary (\$5,000) has to be paid — it is no more than it should be and was fixed in contemplation of help from the old Diocese to make up the Endowment Fund. More than half of it (\$2,953.25 this year) is every year assessed upon and paid by the parishes. And the weight of this burden on the parishes is measured by the fact that the annual assessment upon some parishes, for the Bishop's salary, amounts to a considerable part of that paid to the Rector, in at least one instance being *ten per cent*, and that where the parish had made a fair contribution toward the Endowment of the Episcopal Fund. This hardship is felt throughout the Diocese, and most severely in the weaker parishes. The mission work of the Diocese is crippled, and the growth of the Church is retarded by these assessments. Albany in her weakness collects annually as much, or more, than New York in her strength, from the parishes, for the support of the Bishops Northern New York, which, until 1869, was the great mission field of the Old Diocese, is now dependent exclusively upon its own resources. Of our 117 clergy, 39 (exactly one-third) are missionaries; and the absolute demands of our present missionary work require at least \$10,000 *per annum* before any new stations can be established. The great burden of supporting the Episcopate is, therefore, a grievous hindrance to the spread of the Gospel. This state of things would be changed if the contemplated endowment from the Old Diocese could be realized.

The Diocese of Albany has already, in former communications, urged upon the Diocese of New York its moral and equitable claim to relief; but without effect, owing to the strong feeling against dividing the Episcopal Fund, and to the failure of the efforts hitherto made to secure an adequate sum by subscription. It would neither be dignified for the Diocese of Albany, nor respectful to the Diocese of New York, merely to repeat the substance of the communications already made. But we take the liberty of suggesting that the object which we assume that both Dioceses have at heart may be accomplished in a way that is not open to the objections which have hitherto prevailed. Instead of the sum of \$40,000, contemplated eleven years ago, the Diocese of Albany is willing to accept an annuity of \$        for        years, the amount which the New York Convention may feel able to give being added to the *capital* of the Albany Episcopal Fund. It appears from the report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New York, dated September 25, 1878 (N. Y. Conv. Journal, 1878, p. 43), that the capital of that Fund was then \$110,602, securely invested at six and seven per cent interest; and that the further sum of \$11,000, belonging to the surplus income fund invested, was in the hands of the said trustees. This latter sum of surplus income is understood to be at the absolute disposal of the Convention of New York, and may be appropriated or applied in any manner it sees fit, without depreciating or doing any detriment to the Episcopal Fund, or neglecting the objects and purposes for which it was created, or betraying any trust in relation thereto. Out of this surplus income fund and its accumulations in the future, with the aid of very moderate annual contributions, may be made, if the Convention of New York is so disposed, appropriations from time to time to



the always-contemplated "Endowment of the Episcopate in the Northern Diocese" until the sum is fulfilled.

Your petitioner would not be guilty of the indelicacy of seeming to dictate to the Convention of New York a method of transacting its own affairs, or of disposing of its own funds in its own way, or of discharging moral assurances given in its own good time; but it is humbly asked that "Aid toward the Endowment of the Northern Diocese" may begin to come soon, in some way which the wisdom and liberality of the Convention may devise, and before it is too late to be a blessing. Nothing has been said about the rights of your petitioner, as a contributor, to share in the Episcopal Fund of New York. Nothing will be said. No statement on that subject in this presence can be necessary with the history of the division of the Diocese, the generous and encouraging expression of love and favor, especially toward the Northern Diocese, then made, and the moral assurances attending that action, all fresh in your memories and recorded in your journals.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

JAMES FORSYTH,  
HEZEKIAH STURGES,  
JAMES B. ROSS,

*Committee appointed by the Convention of the Diocese of Albany.*

And your Committee further report, that on the 24th day of September last (1879) the Chairman of your Committee attended the sessions of the Convention of New York, and in person delivered into the hands of the Secretary of that Convention a copy of the said petition above set forth, with the request that he would lay the same before that Convention; and on the same day the Secretary presented the petition, and on motion, the Convention ordered it to be read, and thereupon, the same was read; and on motion, the same was referred to a Committee of five appointed by the President, consisting of the Rev. Morgan Dix, D D., Messrs. Cyrus Curtiss, Stephen P. Nash, Thomas P. Cummings, George McCulloch Miller, to report thereon; that your Committee are informed that a report will be made to the next Convention of New York, by its Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES FORSYTH, *Chairman*,  
HEZEKIAH STURGES.

TROY, *January* 13, 1880.

On motion of Mr. Erastus Corning, it was

*Resolved*, That this Convention approves of the action taken by the Committee, in memorializing the Convention of the Diocese of New York, and proposing to receive an annual payment for a term of years, in place of the sum originally contemplated as the contribution of the Diocese of New York to the Episcopal Fund of this Diocese.

*Resolved*, That this Convention, being greatly averse to the continuance of an unpleasant controversy with the Mother Diocese, and especially to any resort to litigation, rejoices in the prospect of a settlement of this long-standing question on a plan which, while it to some extent meets the reasonable claims of this Diocese, avoids the difficulties connected with the proposal to divert any part of the Episcopal Fund of New York from the support of the Bishop of that Diocese.

*Resolved*, That this Convention, while willing, in the interest of peace, to accept a much smaller sum than was originally contemplated, cannot, in justice to the needs of the Diocese, and in view of the serious hindrance which the smallness of the Episcopal Fund is to the extension of the Church, abandon without compensation the claim which it has previously made to an interest in the Fund, which was established for the purpose of supplying Episcopal ministrations in the northern part of the State as well as in the southern, and which is, to some extent, made up of the contributions of parishes now embraced in the Diocese of Albany.



*Ordered*, That copies of these resolutions be forwarded by the Secretary to the Convention of the Diocese of New York, and to the Committee of that Convention to which the memorial from this Diocese was referred.

According to the requirements of Canon XXI, one day's previous notice was given by the Rev. R. G. Hamilton of a proposed amendment of Sections 2 and 7 of Canon XIV, the Sections to read as follows:

SECTION 2. The said Board of Missions shall consist of the Bishop, who shall be ex-officio the President thereof, and of ten other members, five clergymen and five laymen, all of whom shall be annually chosen by the Convention, and by ballot, unless the same be unanimously dispensed with. All vacancies occurring in the Board during the recess of the Convention may be filled by the Board.

SECTION 7. The Convocations shall meet according to their own rules, and shall act, to the extent of their ability, as auxiliaries to the Board of Missions; and it shall be their duty to make such reports and recommendations as may be required of them by the Bishop or Board of Missions. The Archdeacons shall be charged with the duty of visiting the Mission Stations and vacant parishes, and, with the consent of the clergy, the other parishes receiving missionary aid within the limits of their respective Convocations, to ascertain their condition and to give such advice as may be required, reporting the result of their inquiries and observations to the Bishop. It shall also be their duty to stir up an increased missionary interest and zeal, and to urge more liberal offerings for the work of Church extension.

The proposed amendment was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Payne the Convention took a recess until half-past seven o'clock in the evening.

#### FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON.

The Evening Prayer was said, the Rev. George Fisher and the Rev. G. L. Neide officiating.

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#### HALF PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

The Convention reassembled.

A special Missionary Service, set forth by the Bishop, was said, the Rev. Messrs. W. M. Cook, W. L. Bull, A. Danker, Ph. D. and the Rector of the Parish officiating.

After the service the Right Rev. President took the chair, and called the Convention to order.

The report of the Board of Missions was presented and read by the Rev. F. M. Cookson, Secretary of the Board.

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS, 1880.

The Board of Missions respectfully report: The Board of Missions always leaves the Missionary Session of the Convention with encouragement. There never fails to be a genuine interest manifested here in the missions of the Dio-

cese. A larger number give attention to this part of the Convention's work than to almost any other. All seem to recognize the cause to be one in which we, every one, have a share of duty and privilege, and the word is very welcome that tells of its going earnestly, aggressively on, and shows a generous support. If, in a year of business depression, some one prudently suggests that we attempt less work, and make a smaller appropriation, it is with evident reluctance any withholding of the hand from the work, or any lessening of the amount to be asked for it, is finally decided upon. Generously and faithfully the Convention insists rather upon appropriating more than less, if the occasion at all warrants an increase.

At the last Missionary Session of the Convention, the desire was so great to do better than the year before in giving, and to get back to the standard of offerings in previous years (in one of which the receipts were more than thirteen thousand dollars, and in another more than twelve) that twelve thousand five hundred dollars was the amount hopefully appropriated for the year, ten thousand of this amount being intended for the year's work, and two thousand five hundred for the payment of past indebtedness. The Diocese as represented in its Convention showed that it was not tired of giving, and meant to renew its energy in the work. This session was as full of encouragement as any that had gone before it.

At the first meeting of the Board of Missions, the day after the Convention, January 16, 1879, appropriations were made on about the same basis as the year before, at the rate of \$8,000 for the year.

Six stations of the preceding year were discontinued for various reasons, and two new ones were added. In all eighty stations were adopted and forty-two missionaries appointed.

The Board would gladly have made much needed additions to the income of many of the missionaries, whom they knew to be poorly provided for and would have been glad to push on the work of the Church into new places where it would be welcome, but they were reminded by the words of the resolution of Convention, "that the appropriations to be made for this year be established upon the same basis as now," and by their own experience, to keep far within the gross amount appropriated, hoping to enlarge the work and increase the stipends as offerings gave them encouragement to do so.

To assist in carrying out the will of the Convention, the Board requested the Right Rev. President and the Secretary to at once address an appeal to the clergy and laity of the Diocese, setting forth the great needs of our work, and asking not only generous offerings, but prompt payments to the Treasurer; and in response to a resolution of the Convention, all clergy and parishes or missions receiving aid through the Board of Missions were asked to consider the plan of a gradual reduction of stipends.

The Archdeacons of the different Convocations were also requested to report at a following meeting of the Board, any stations to which the plan could be wisely applied.

Not to give a detailed account of the transactions of the Board at their meetings: at the first meeting a deed was received of a church lot, with a completed church on it, at Saranac Lake, and accompanying vouchers for all payments made. This was a second work of the kind within a very short time, conducted by Dr. Trudeau. The Board expressed your appreciation, it is believed, in its resolution in reference to the admirable work:

*Resolved*, That the Board of Missions accepts with great pleasure the deed of the property at Saranac Lake, in Franklin county, and again records its grateful

sense of the faithful devotion and accurate carefulness with which Dr. Trudeau has carried to a successful result the building of a second church in the waste places of the Diocese.

At its second meeting, on April 24th, a deed of property was received for the church at Palenerville, in Greene county, through the Rev. Robert Weeks, and another of the church property at East Line, in Saratoga county, through Rev. Walter Delafield.

The resignations of three missionaries were received. Two of them were appointed to other stations, and one removed to another Diocese.

From the Vestry of Christ Church, Rouses Point, came the only response to the request for a consideration of the proposed plan of reducing aid rendered. The Rector and Vestry of this Church asked for a Committee with whom to confer in the matter, and three lay members of the Board were appointed to act as the Committee.

The offerings so far received by the Treasurer did not warrant any greater expenditure, and only such slight changes in appropriations were made as were absolutely necessary.

At this time the Secretary of the Board tendered his resignation, on account of his removal from the Diocese. For nearly four years he had held this office and performed the duties belonging to it with great fidelity, and his resignation was accepted with regret.

At its third meeting, on October 30th, the resignations of three missionaries were accepted, two removing from the Diocese and one of them taking duty elsewhere within it. Two new missionaries were appointed, and one small stipend was granted anew.

The receipts of the Treasurer were not such as to authorize any additional outlay.

At the final meeting of the Board of Missions, on Monday evening last, a deed of land at Chestertown, with a building on it, now transformed into a church, was received through the Archdeacon of Troy, from Miss Trueman. The generous gift was gratefully acknowledged in a resolution of the Board. Another deed was read for the church property at Mineville, a property gained and paid for through the zeal and labors of the Rev. W. R. Woodbridge. After this there was nothing left for it to do but to review the work of the year, done or left undone, and prepare a report to the Convention.

The Mission paper, which can be published and mailed for less than one hundred dollars a year, for four numbers, has been a useful agency in bringing information about the work of the Diocese wherever it has been distributed. Three numbers of it have been published.

This, in brief, is a summary of the work of the Board of Missions for the year just passed.

The rate of \$2,000 has not been exceeded in the appropriations; the Diocese has been earnestly appealed to by circulars and in the columns of the Mission paper, and by the Bishop of the Diocese on his visitation, for liberal and constant offerings; the Board has reluctantly withheld its hand from new work that seemed very encouraging; and the result, financially, will be shown in the report of the Treasurer.

The record of the faithful work of the band of Missionaries enduring hardships for Christ's sake, the story of their hardships and privations often, and brave struggles; of their welcome, blessed ministrations to the souls of men, cannot be written here or be summed up in the figures of parochial returns; but it is remembered high. And their work, and our share in sustaining it, will be a treasure that will last the last day.

If we all could take away with us to our homes the spirit of this session, and the interest we find quickening our hearts here, in the cause of our missions, and make the spirit and the interest fill the minds and hearts of those who are not here, should we not find the encouragement with which we go away each year more lasting, and should we not need fewer appeals to fulfil our duty, and less often have to listen to a story of debt and discouragement ?

The list of stations, Missionaries and stipends appropriated, is appended to this report.

The following resolutions are recommended for adoption:

*Resolved*, That as a Diocese we recognize anew our duty and privilege to encourage and sustain and increase our missionary work.

*Resolved*, That, as prompt and regular payments to the Treasurer save borrowing, insure promptness of payments to Missionaries, and as systematic giving makes giving easier and results in greater offerings, clergy and laity be asked to study still more promptness and order and system in their asking and giving for the cause of our missions.

*Resolved*, That the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars be named as the sum which the Board of Missions may rely upon for the work of the current year, and for the payment of the existing debt.

STATIONS, STIPENDS AND MISSIONARIES.

I. THE CONVOCATION OF ALBANY.

County.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Stipend.
Albany . . . .	Trinity . . . . .	Rensselaerville } Berne Westerlo	Rev. R. Washbon . . . .	
Greene . . . . .	Calvary . . . . .	Cairo . . . . .	Rev. W. C. Grubbe . . .	\$250
	Grace . . . . .	Prattsville } . . . .	Rev. H.C. Hutchings . .	200
	Trinity . . . . .	Windham } . . . .	Rev. J. W. Stewart . .	100
	Trinity . . . . .	Athens . . . . .	Rev. Newton Dexter .	75
	Christ . . . . .	Coxsackie . . . . .	Rev. H. C. Brayton . .	150
	Christ . . . . .	Greenville } . . . .		
	St. Paul's . . . .	Oak Hill } . . . .		
Herkimer . .	Trinity . . . . .	Fairfield } . . . .	Rev. Lewis F. Morris .	250
	Grace . . . . .	Norway } . . . .		
	Memorial . . . .	Middleville } . . . .		
	St. Augustine's	Ilion . . . . .	Rev. E. R. Armstrong .	250
Montgomery	Zion . . . . .	Fonda } . . . .		
	Good Shepherd	Canajoharie } . . . .	Rev. C. H. Vandyne . .	375
	Holy Cross . . .	Fort Plain } . . . .		
				\$1,650

STATIONS, STIPENDS AND MISSIONARIES — *Continued.*

II. THE CONVOCAION OF TROY.

County.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Stipend.			
Columbia...	St. Luke's...	Clermont .....	Rev. M. E. Wilson...	\$150			
	St. John's....	Copake .....	Rev. T. B. Fulcher ...	100			
	Trinity .....	Claverack.. .....	Rev. W. M. Cook.....	150			
	Our Saviour..	New Lebanon	Rev. Jos. Hooper.....	150			
Rensselaer..	Trinity .....	Chatham Centre }					
		Schaghticoke	Rev. R. G. Hamilton .	325			
		(Hart's Falls) .. }					
Saratoga....	St. Stephen's.	Old Schaghticoke }	Rev. G. W. Dean, S.T.D	300			
		Schuylerville ....					
		St. Luke's....			Mechanicville....	Rev. A. H. Stubbs....	75
		St. Paul's....			Charlton .....	Rev. Walter Delafield	150
St. John's....	East Line .....						
Warren.....	St. John's....	Conklingville ....	Rev. W. H. Phillips..	150			
Essex .....	Warren.....	Chester }	Rev. A. F. Todrig ....	50			
		Schroon }					
			Bolton }	Rev. C. H. Lancaster.	75		
Washington	Holy Cross...	Warrensburgh ...	Rev. W. M. Ogden ...	200			
	St. Luke's ...	Cambridge.....	Rev. J. B. Trevett....	150			
	Trinity .....	Granville.....	Rev. W. M. Pickslay..	100			
		North Granville..	Rev. W. C. Prout ....	250			
Clinton.....	St. Paul's....	Salem .....	Rev. J. H. Houghton..	250			
	Christ .....	Rouse's Point }	Rev. I. McElroy.....	100			
	St. John's....	Champlain }					
		St. Paul's....	Centreville .....	Rev. Silas M. Rogers .	300		
Essex .....	St. Peter's...	Ellenburgh. ....					
	St. Luke's ...	Chazy .....	Rev. H. M. Smyth....	250			
	St. John's....	Salmon River....					
		St. John's....	Essex }	Rev. E. L. Toy .....	350		
		Elizabethtown }	Rev. C. A. Bragdon...	200			
		Au Sable Forks.. }					
		Christ .....	Port Henry }	Rev. W. R. Woodbridge	200		
		Emmanuel...	Mineville }				
	Of the Cross.	Ticonderoga .....	Rev. W. H. Cook ....				
				\$3, 675			

III. THE CONVOCAION OF THE SUSQUEHANNA.

County.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Stipend.
Delaware ...	Christ ... ..	Walton }	Rev. R. C. Searing ..	\$125
	Christ .....	Deposit }		
Otsego.....	St. James' ...	Oneonta }	.....	350
	Immanuel ...	Otego }		
	St. Timothy's	Westford }	Rev. T. A. Snyder....	150
	St. John's ...	Portlandville }		
Schoharie...	Christ .....	West Burling-	{ Rev. Hobart Cooke }	150
		ton }		
	Christ .....	Butternuts }	Rev. E. A. Hartman }	200
	St. Paul's....	East Springfield.. }		
	St. Luke's...	Middleburgh.....	Rev. E. F. Baker.....	100
			Rev. H. C. E. Costelle.	
				\$1, 075

STATIONS, STIPENDS AND MISSIONARIES — Continued.

IV. THE CONVOCATION OF OGDENSBURGH.

County.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Stipend.
Franklin ...	St. John's....	St. Regis Lake	Rev. C. S. Knapp ....	\$200
	St. Luke's....	Saranac Lake		
	St. Peter's...	Brush's Mills		
St. Lawrence	St. Mark's ...	West Bangor	Rev. N. H. Burnham..	200
	St. John's....	Chateaugay		
		Nicholville		
Franklin ...	St. Thomas ..	Lawrenceville		
	St. James' ...	Hogansburgh		
	St. John's....	Massena		
	All Saints ...		Rev. J. N. T. Goss....	. 525
		Helena		
		Long Sault Is- land		
	Grace .....	Louisville Land- ing.	Rev. T. G. Clemson..	300
	St. Paul's....	Waddington and points adja- cent		
	Christ .....	Morristown .....		
		Hammond .....	Rev. B. R. Kirkbride..	125
	Trinity .....	Gouverneur .....		
	St. Luke's ...	Lisbon		
		Heuvelton	{ Rev. J. D. Morrison, D. D., Rev. W. J. W. Finlay }	400
		DeKalb		
	Grace .....	Norfolk		
	St. Andrew's.	Norwood	Rev. Augustus Prime.	350
	St. Mary's...	Colton		
	St. Joseph's..	West Stockholm		
	Trinity .....	Morley	{ Rev. H. R. How- ard, S. T. D. }	275
	St. Philip's ..	Madrid		
		Cranberry Lake..		
			Rev. W. A. Rich .....	
				\$2,875

Number of Stations in all .....	85
Vacant at present.....	7
Stations now served by Missionaries of the Board.....	78
Number of Missionaries now at work.....	49
Total amount of Stipends as now appropriated.....	\$8,775

Mr. S. E. Marvin, Treasurer, read the

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF MIS-  
SIONS.

DIOCESE OF ALBANY,  
ALBANY, December 31, 1879. }

To the Board of Missions :

The receipts for the year have been.....	\$9,666 62
The disbursements for the year have been.....	\$9,899 70
Balance due Treasurer, as per last report. ....	1,837 85
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	11,737 55
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Leaving balance due Treasurer.....	\$2,070 98
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The deficiency last year, as reported, was \$1,837.85.

The Convention has become so accustomed to a deficiency as the result of our yearly operations that I presume no one will be startled at its existence now. It ought not to be so. In this I fancy we are all agreed, and we should govern operations, if practicable, so as to prevent it. It is a difficult matter when once in debt to get out. It is, perhaps, just as difficult when out to stay out. It does seem as if in our deliberations in Convention we ought to reach a sum to be appropriated that will provide for our arrearages, and the work for the year, that can be raised. If we find we have been too extravagant in the past, let us re-trench for a while, until we arrive at a basis upon which we can build our increase again. The appropriation for the year just closed was \$12,500, with the fortunate suggestion to the Board incorporated in the resolution, "that the appropriation to be made for this year be established upon the same basis as now; and that if there be an increase from quarter to quarter in the receipts, the Board will govern its future work accordingly." I very much regret to say there was no such looked-for increase, and the work of the Board has been continued through the year upon the basis of \$8,000. That the Board could have made a good use of the balance, no one familiar with the needs and growing wants of this large Diocese will deny. It is needless for me to detail the operations of the Board. They are reported in the report of the Secretary, and are, without such a statement, generally familiar to the clergy and lay people of the Diocese. Suffice it to say that the appropriations are made to the different stations upon the basis of the action of the Convention. If the amount voted for the preceding year and upon which the Board has carried on its work is reduced, the stipends must of necessity be cut down and Stations abandoned. The Board has always aimed to keep within the appropriations as made by the Convention, and has always succeeded. When an appropriation is made the Board must act upon the assumption that the amount will be raised. It cannot look ahead and assume that it will be only in receipt of a portion of the amount so voted. It must have something tangible upon which to start and carry on the work, and this is the action of the Convention for which the Diocese is made responsible. It has a right to expect that the amount voted will be paid in to meet the obligations which, acting as the agent of the Diocese, it has incurred. The Board is but the servant of the Diocese. It employs missionaries to do its work, and it is for the Diocese to provide means for the payment of same. I hope such action will be taken at this Convention in reference to the appropriation, as will make the result of the work for the ensuing year to come within its limits and wipe out the present deficiency. We would all regret any backward step, but better such a course than to go forward carrying such a ~~deficiency~~ as we now have, with the prospect of adding thereto. It does seem as if



we ought to raise \$12,500 in this Diocese for this work. If we would all bend our energies in the effort and labor for the securing such a result, it seems to me it might succeed. If the clergymen keep the importance of the work constantly before the laity, and through quiet, unobtrusive ways win their confidence in it, and thereby excite their generosity to liberal giving; and if the laity would receive the gentle teachings and persuasions of the clergy, and be drawn into an interest for the work, much good might result from such an intercourse. There must be a bond of reciprocal unity between the clergy and the laity. The latter need the confidence and impressive teaching of the clergy, and the clergy require the support, the encouragement and equally the confidence of the laity. The laity have a right to expect from the clergy the presentation of our claims in an intelligent and comprehensive manner, the needs for carrying on the work and its general features. It may be at times the motives governing the Board are misunderstood by the masses. It is the province of the clergy to remove such misunderstandings and to inspire courage and liberality where doubt and illiberal giving existed. In fact the popular mind needs to be educated to comprehend the necessities and results of so great a work. Laymen are naturally devoted to the cause of missions; the results of this devotion are to be brought out and made of practicable effect through the work of the clergy. As for our future, it is for the parishes of the Diocese to determine whether the important work committed to the Board shall go on burdened with such a deficiency as now exists, holding what we now have, or it may be relinquishing a portion, or whether we shall go forward with newness of life, increased strength and vigor, to the accomplishment of the great and important results which await our favorable action and which are ready for an aggressive work.

Tired with constantly importuning the parishes for the payment of the assessments ordered by the Convention of 1876, to pay a debt of \$2,800 against the Bishop's House, I have sought new means for trying to get rid of the same, and on the 10th of December appealed, by circular, to the generosity of the laymen of the Diocese for special contributions. In response thereto I have received from fifty-five the sum of \$535, as applicable for this purpose. To those who so promptly and kindly responded to my appeal I am personally most grateful, and feel that the Convention will have cause for thankful appreciation of the results accomplished, although not fully up to what our needs required. For the payment of the balance still due, the Convention should make provision.

On the 10th of April last I received from the Treasurer of the Parochial Fund of the Diocese of New York the sum of \$1,000, as authorized by a resolution of the Convention of that Diocese to be transferred to this Diocese, and invested same in a four per cent U. S. Government bond, the income from which I have credited to the account of Diocesan Missions. There is still due the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund the sum of \$800.

Very respectfully,

SELDEN E. MARVIN, *Treasurer.*



SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

ALBANY, December 31, 1879.

Receipts.

From the Convocation of Albany.....	\$2,918 85
From the Convocation of Troy.....	3,386 69
From the Convocation of the Susquehanna. ....	568 70
From the Convocation of Ogdensburgh.....	1,318 14
From sundry sources.....	1,474 24
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	\$9,666 62
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Disbursements.

Balance due Treasurer last year.....	\$1,837 85
Stipends, Convocation of Albany....	1,586 26
Stipends, Convocation of Troy ..	3,097 91
Stipends, Convocation of the Susquehanna.....	689 59
Stipends, Convocation of Ogdensburgh....	2,544 86
Sundry payments.....	1,280 85
German services.....	200 00
Special payments ...	500 23
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	\$11,787 55
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\* Balance due Treasurer January 1, 1880..... \$2,070 93

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, of his disbursements as such Treasurer, and the vouchers therefor, and have found the same to be correct, and that all the payments are duly vouched.

FRANK L. NORTON,  
T. L. HARISON.

Dated ALBANY, January 12, 1880.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF MIS-  
SIONS, ON ACCOUNT OF DEBT ON THE BISHOP'S  
HOUSE.

Receipts.

From five parishes.....	\$35 95
Proceeds of \$1,250 note.....	1,212 50
Special contributions.....	535 00
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	\$1,783 45
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Disbursements.

Balance due Treasurer last year.....	\$85 82
Note paid .....	1,250 00
Balance in hand .....	447 63
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	\$1,783 45
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\* The Treasurer received on the first day of the Convention payments amounting to \$27.83, by which the above balance was reduced to \$1,813.00.

The Rev. Pelham Williams, S. T. D., presented and read the following:

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE, ON THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Your Committee on the "Report of the Board of Missions," recommend the adoption of that report.

They further advise the extended use of the missionary envelopes, the continued publication of "Our Mission Work," and adherence to the plan reported to the last Convention for the gradual reduction of missionary stipends.

In their judgment the whole debt of \$2,070 owed to the Treasurer, together with the sum of \$800 due to the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, should be, and may be, paid within ninety days.

For the coming year, it is believed, if this debt be paid at once, that \$10,000 can be secured for the missionary work in this Diocese, and that appropriations may be safely made upon the basis of this anticipation.

If your Committee shall seem too sanguine, in the fervor of this report, they venture to urge their rightful faith in that sense of honor which belongs to this Diocese, and their trust in your conviction that this diocesan debt is a needless grief, perhaps a needless shame. While there is evident growth within our borders in every best element of power, and while prosperity comes now, in place of stringency, there will come, also, as we believe, most generous appreciation of your missionaries — their work, their needs, their claim.

There will be growing sense of your high and holy privilege, who may minister through their toils, by your offerings, to souls who know not the Lord of the Church in the Church of the Lord.

Wise men to-day will hardly forget in their life of adoration, how it was the wisdom which brought the gold, which first found the Christ, and first was blessed of Him.

PELHAM WILLIAMS,  
H. R. PIERSON.

The Rev. Dr. Harison presented and read the following:

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the proposed amendment offered by the Rev. R. G. Hamilton, to Canon XIV, respectfully report that they have considered the same, and being sensible of the importance of the subject and of the difficulty of dealing with it at this time, recommend the reference of the whole subject of the organization of the Board of Missions to a Special Committee, from whose deliberations some wise counsel may be expected at the next Convention.

In the meantime it seems to us that for the greater efficiency of the Board as an executive body, it might be well for it to appoint a Committee, comprising, perhaps, some members not of their own body, which, by frequent meetings, may be able to supply constant aid and supervision to the work. The resolutions of which we recommend the adoption are as follows:

*Resolved*, That the whole subject of the organization of the Board of Missions be referred to a Special Committee of seven members, to report at the next Convention.

*Resolved*, That the Board of Missions be recommended to consider the policy of appointing an Executive Committee, to hold frequent meetings and take charge of the interests of Missions between the stated meetings of the Board.

The first resolution reported by the Committee on Canons was adopted.

The Right Rev. President appointed as such Committee, the Rev. G. W. Dean, D. D., the Rev. R. G. Hamilton, the Rev. J. H. Houghton, Messrs. P. C. Hitchcock, Orlando Meads, T. L. Harison and R. C. McEwen, M. D.

On motion of Rev. F. M. Cookson the second resolution was laid on the table until the second day.

On motion of the Rev. J. H. Houghton it was

*Resolved*, That this Convention urge anew upon every clergyman the diligent circulation of the missionary envelopes, as the best means of interesting his people in the personal support of Missions.

*Resolved*, That each clergyman be urged to give to his people special commendation of the Missionary paper, as the authoritative voice of the Board to his parish.

*Resolved*, That this Convention call upon the Board of Missions to put into execution immediately such a plan as was recommended last year for the gradual reduction of missionary stipends.

The first and second resolutions presented in the report of the Board of Missions were adopted.

Sundry pledges and special offerings were then made for the purpose of discharging the debt due the Treasurer, conditionally upon the raising of the whole amount. A general offering was then received from the congregation, and the amount of all the offerings for the day, being counted up, was found to be \$2,050, being more than sufficient for the object. Whereupon the offering was humbly presented and placed upon the Holy Table by the Bishop, and the doxology of Bishop Ken was sung as a thanksgiving.

The third resolution offered by the Board of Missions being under debate, the Rev. Irving McElroy offered the following substitute for it, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That it is expedient that the sum of \$12,500 be raised for the mission work of the Church in this Diocese for the ensuing year, and that clergy and laity use every means to endeavor to reach the above sum; with the suggestion to the Board of Missions, that the appropriations to be made for this year be established upon the same basis as now; and that if there is an increase from quarter to quarter in the receipts, the Board will govern its future work accordingly; and that the Board of Missions be instructed to pay, in quarterly instalments of \$200, the \$800 in which the Board is now indebted to the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Board of Missions for the ensuing year.

The ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the following were elected members of the Board:

CONVOCATION OF ALBANY.

The Rev. Samuel E. Smith,

Mr. J. W. Tillinghast.

CONVOCATION OF TROY.

The Rev. Frank L. Norton.

CONVOCATION OF THE SUSQUEHANNA.

The Rev. Theodore A. Snyder,

Mr. G. Pomeroy Keese.

CONVOCATION OF OGDENSBURGH.

The Rev. C. S. Olmsted,

Mr. T. Streatfield Clarkson.

DIOCESE AT LARGE.

The Rev. Fenwick M. Cookson,

Mr. Richard H. Cushney.

The election of the Lay Member for the Convocation of Troy was postponed until the second day.

The Convention adjourned until nine o'clock of Wednesday morning.

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SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 15TH, HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK.

The Holy Communion was administered, the Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D., celebrating, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. James E. Hall and Scott B. Rathbun.

NINE O'CLOCK.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. R. A. Olin and the Rev. C. S. Olmsted, and the Litany by the Rev. G. W. Dean, D. D.

The Right Rev. President took the Chair and called the Convention to order.

The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

The names of the Clergy and Lay Delegates not present yesterday were called by the Secretary, and four Clergymen and twelve Lay Delegates answered and took their seats.

The reports of the Treasurer of the Diocese and of the Committee on the same were presented and read.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

DIOCESE OF ALBANY,  
ALBANY, December 31, A. D. 1879. }

Herewith please find statement of the receipts and disbursements of the Diocesan Fund for the year 1879:

Amount on hand, as reported to the last Convention.....	\$441 98
Receipts for the year.....	1,816 89
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Total.....	\$2,258 87
Disbursements.....	1,922 56
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Balance on hand .....	\$336 81
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It will be necessary for the Convention to provide at this meeting for the following objects:

- Mileage to clergymen in attendance upon present Convention.
- For the printing of the journal of the Convention.
- For the current expenses of the Diocese.
- For our dues to General Convention.

For the above purposes I suggest the following estimate of the sums that will be required:

For mileage.....	\$350
For printing journal .....	500
For current expenses.....	550
For dues General Convention .....	350
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\$1,750	
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To meet the above I recommend that the Convention order an assessment of two and one-half per centum upon the salaries pledged the clergymen by the parishes and Mission Stations.

Very respectfully,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN, Treasurer.

TWELFTH CONVENTION OF DIOCESE OF ALBANY,  
TROY, N. Y., Jan. 13, 1880. }

We, the undersigned Committee, do hereby certify that we have duly examined the foregoing account, with the accompanying vouchers thereto, and find the same to be correct and true.

ROBERT S. OLIVER,  
GEORGE ST. JOHN.

The Rev. Frank L. Norton, for the Committee, presented and read :

# THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE DIOCESAN FUND AND MILEAGE OF THE CLERGY.

The Committee on the Diocesan Fund and Mileage of the Clergy have to report :

The receipts of the past year are.....	\$1,816 89
Amount on hand from the last Convention...	441 98
Total.....	\$2,258 87
Disbursements.....	1,922 56
Balance on hand .....	<u>\$336 31</u>

We recommend the appropriations for the following purposes :

Mileage for the clergy.....	\$350
Printing journal.....	450
Current expenses, including Bishop's traveling expenses .....	550
Dues of General Convention.....	350
Total.....	<u>\$1,700</u>

To meet the above we offer the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the Convention order an assessment of two and one-half per cent upon the salaries pledged the clergymen by the parishes and Mission Stations.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be directed to pay to the clergymen in attendance upon this Convention who have come from a distance more than thirty miles from Troy, the sum of seven cents a mile, and if the expense does not amount to this, that the actual traveling expenses be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK L. NORTON,  
R. C. MCEWEN,  
WM. BOGERT WALKER,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN,  
*Committee.*

The resolutions contained in the report were adopted.

The reports of the Trustees and of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, and of the Committee on the Bishop's Salary, and of the Committee on the same, were read :

# THE REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

*To the Convention of the Diocese of Albany :*

The undersigned, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany, respectfully report that they hold the following investments for the Fund :

Bonds and mortgages on real estate in the city of Albany.....	\$32,500
\$1,000 Buffalo city water bond, cost.....	1,090
\$3,000 U. S. 6 per cent bonds, due 1881 (estimated) .....	3,110
Parish bond, St. John's Church, Cohoes.....	800
Parish bond, Grace Church, Waterford.....	500
	<u>\$38,000</u>

During the year past \$600 of U. S. 5-20 bonds have been called in and paid off, at a cost to the Fund of the premium paid on them at the time of the original investment. \$3,000 U. S. 6 per cent bonds, due July 1, 1881, remain in the Fund. Mr. A. Cook's mortgage, \$2,000, was paid April 1, 1879, and Henry Kelley's mortgage, for \$3,000, at 6 per cent, taken as an investment at that date.

The Trustees feel it incumbent on them to call the attention of the Convention to the fact that but six per cent *per annum* can be expected hereafter on their investments, the recent law of the State reducing the rate of interest from seven to six per cent bringing this about. We must accept six per cent on our mortgages or have them paid off, and we know of no securities in which the funds can be prudently invested which will pay beyond six per cent, if as high as that.

A donation to the Fund of \$350 maintains the principal of it at within \$59.25 of its former total.

Respectfully submitted,  
H. PUMPELLY,  
A. P. PALMER,  
JAS. FORSYTH,  
J. H. VAN ANTWERP.

ALBANY, *January* 10, 1880.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

The undersigned, Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany, respectfully reports receipts and disbursements of the Fund for the year 1879, as follows :

<i>Receipts.</i>		
1879.		
April 4.	To A. Cook's mortgage paid and satisfied .....	\$2,000 00
7.	U. S. 5-20 bonds "called" and redeemed with interest.	503 78
22.	Donation, Church of Messiah, Glens Falls.....	8 36
July 5.	U. S. 5-20 bonds "called" and redeemed with interest.	102 66
28.	Donation, Grace Church, Canton.....	4 25
Dec. 27.	Donation, Church of Messiah, Glens Falls.....	5 21
1880.		
Jan. 7.	Donation, J. H. V. A .....	350 00
	Transfer from "Income account" .....	25 74
		<hr/> \$3,000 00 <hr/>

<i>Disbursements.</i>		
1879.		
April 4.	By Henry Kelley's bond and mortgage at 6 per cent.....	\$3,000 00
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E. & O. E.    J. H. VAN ANTWERP, *Treasurer.*  
ALBANY, *January* 10, 1880.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE EPISCOPAL INCOME.

*Episcopal Income in account with J. H. Van Antwerp, Treasurer. Dr.*

1879.		
Jan. 15.	To Stephen's bill for repairs on Bishop's house* .....	\$28 00
	Ridgeway's                      do                      do                      do .....	58 96
	Palmer's bill for painting.....	225 00

\*Authority to pay bills for taxes, insurance and repairs on the Bishop's house, was given the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund by the Convention of 1876. (See Convention Journal of that year, pages 134, 135, 149.)

# Report of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund.

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1879.			
Apl. 17.	Paid Bishop quarter's salary.....	\$1,250 00	
July 11.	do do do do .....	1,250 00	
Oct. 8.	do do do do ...	1,250 00	
Dec. 24.	Insurance on Bishop's house.....	28 75	
1880.			
Jan. 3.	Taxes on Bishop's house, 1879.....	346 00	
6.	Printing, postage and expenses of J. J. T., Secretary.	75 00	
Jan. 10.	Paid Bishop quarter's salary.....	1,250 00	
	Transfer to Episcopal Fund.....	25 74	
	Balance.....	136 43	
			<u>\$5,923 88</u>

## Credit.

Jan. 14.	By balance from last report.....	\$434 80	
Feb. 1.	Interest, St. John's, Cohoes, to date.....	28 00	
	do Cook's mortgage .....	70 00	
	do Clute do .....	122 50	
April 1.	do Cook mortgage (paid), 2 mos .....	23 83	
	do Walsh mortgage.....	140 00	
3.	J. J. Tillinghast, Secretary, 1878.....	240 70	
	do do 1879.....	96 00	
11.	do do 1878.....	214 00	
	do do 1879.....	50 00	
17.	do do 1879. . . . .	200 00	
July 1.	Interest, U. S. bonds.....	90 00	
	do Kelley mortgage, 3 mos .....	45 00	
	do Gibson do 6 per cent .....	120 00	
	do Kennat do .....	210 00	
	do Edwards do .....	140 00	
	do Clark do .....	280 00	
	do City Buffalo bond .....	35 00	
5.	J. J. Tillinghast, Secretary, 1879.....	400 55	
Aug. 1.	Interest, Clute mortgage.....	122 50	
	do St. John's, Cohoes, to date .....	28 00	
Oct. 1.	do Walsh mortgage .....	140 00	
8.	J. J. Tillinghast, Secretary, 1879 .....	500 00	
11.	Grace Church, Waterford, interest on bond to date.....	35 00	
Nov. 11.	J. J. Tillinghast, Secretary, 1879.....	275 00	
1880.			
Jan. 2.	Interest, U. S. bonds .....	90 00	
	do Kelley mortgage, 6 per cent.....	90 00	
	do Gibson do 6 do .....	120 00	
	do Kennat do 7 do .....	210 00	
	do Edwards do 6 do .....	120 00	
	do Clark do 7 do ..	280 00	
6.	J. J. Tillinghast, Secretary, 1878.....	25 00	
	do do 1879.....	600 98	
	Interest, City Buffalo bond.....	35 00	
10.	J. J. Tillinghast, Secretary, 1877.....	313 02	
			<u>\$5,923 88</u>

1880. Balance in Bank ..... \$136 43

E. E.

J. H. VAN ANTWERP,

*Treasurer Episcopal Fund, Diocese of Albany.*

ALBANY, January 12, 1880.



REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP.

BISHOP'S SALARY ASSESSMENTS, 1879.

Assessments collected.....	\$2,435	1
Assessments unpaid.....	498	1
Total amount assessed .....	\$2,934	0
By cash assessments balance, 1878.....	\$479	71
By cash assessments, 1879, collected.....	2,435	51
	\$2,915	21
To remitted J. H. Van Antwerp, Treasurer.....	\$2,915	21

For the Committee,

J. J. TILLINGHAST, Secretary.

TROY, January 9, 1880, E & O. E.

Your Committee, in presenting this report, would beg leave to state that the Committee were originally appointed with a special purpose to provide by assessment upon the various parishes to meet the deficiency in the income of the Episcopal Fund for the salary of the Bishop.

The Committee found the deficiency about \$2,500 ; to raise this amount, and for a surplus or working capital, so as to provide for delinquent parishes, and to obtain an amount that would guarantee the prompt payment of the Bishop's salary, it was voted to make the amount of the assessments \$3,000.

It was hoped, in a few years, with this assessment, a surplus would accumulate that would meet all emergencies in the way of delinquent parishes or non-payment of interest on investments, or for lower rate of interest (which we are now informed the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund has been obliged to take, that is to reduce from seven to six per cent), and then, again, it was contemplated to gradually reduce the assessments after a fair surplus had accumulated, by adding the surplus to the Episcopal Fund.

When it was known that the amount raised by the Committee was in excess of the deficiency, the Convention directed the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund to pay certain other obligations, though strongly objected to by some members of this Committee, who felt that the carefully-planned scheme to assure promptly the payment of the Bishop's salary would be deranged or imperiled, and the result has proven the fears of the Committee, for the surplus fund has been eaten up by taxes, repairs and insurance, so that on the first of January last the Treasurer had not funds enough on hand to pay the full quarter of the Bishop's salary.

Now the Committee would respectfully protest to the Convention against the use of any of the income of the Episcopal Fund arising from interest or assessments toward any other purpose than the Bishop's salary of \$5,000, as originally voted.

It has been suggested that the Committee should raise the assessment upon the parishes, and thereby collect a large amount.

The Committee answer this very natural suggestion, that such an increase is impossible ; that they have for years been studying the problem of assessments,

and are convinced that any serious departure from the present assessments would create confusion, requiring a great deal of explanation and correspondence, and at the same time jeopardize the collection of the present assessment, which now works smoothly, and it is best to leave "well enough alone;" and then, again, an increase of percentage would be manifestly unjust on some parishes who have contributed largely to the Episcopal Fund, and are now contributing largely to make up for the weaker parishes, who are unable to contribute much as yet.

Other ways than through the Bishop's Salary Committee should be provided for the necessities of other diocesan obligations, rather than to complicate and disturb the work of this Committee by imposing burdens they are unable to meet.

In view of this report the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund be directed not to pay any moneys from the income fund and assessments except for the Bishop's salary.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. B. WARREN, *Chairman*,  
J. J. TILLINGHAST, *Secretary*.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE BISHOP'S SALARY AND THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

We, the undersigned Committee, appointed to examine the accounts of the Secretary of the Committee on the Bishop's Salary, and of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, for the year 1879, do hereby certify that we have examined the same and find them to be correct.

W. GWYNNE,  
WM. N. IRISH,  
G. POMEROY KEESE.

The resolution presented in the report of the Committee on the salary of the Bishop was adopted.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Harison it was

*Ordered*, That the tabular statement contained in the report of the Committee on the Bishop's Salary be printed as an appendix to the journal.

The Rev. Mr. Mulford read the following reports:

## THE REPORTS OF THE TRUSTEES AND OF THE TREASURER OF THE FUND FOR THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGY.

DIocese of ALBANY,  
ALBANY, *December 31, A. D. 1879.* }

The Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen present herewith the report of the Treasurer of the Fund, showing the receipts and disbursements for the year.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

### *Receipts.*

Balance on hand.....	\$521 03
Received from eighteen parishes .....	155 36
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	\$676 39

### *Disbursements.*

Paid stipends.....	\$200 00
Balance .....	476 89
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	\$676 89

The Committee appointed to examine the report of the Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen for the year 1879, beg leave to say that they have examined said report and find the same to be correct

**J. N. MULFORD,  
S. M. VAN SANTVOORD.**

**The Rev. Mr. Hamilton read the following report:**

THE REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE AGED AND  
INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

DIOCESE OF ALBANY,  
ALBANY, *December 31*, A. D. 1879. }

The undersigned, Trustees of the Fund for the support of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, respectfully report that the receipts and disbursements for the year have been as reported by Treasurer, as follows :

Balance on hand, as per last report .....	\$2,258 97
Receipts from parishes.....	308 16
Receipts from interest on bond and mortgage....	670 00
Receipts from principal mortgage.....	1,000 00
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Total.....	\$4,237 13
Disbursements .....	2,212 50
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Balance on hand .....	\$2,024 63

The Permanent Fund consists of two bonds and mortgages (upon which the interest has been regularly paid) amounting to \$10,000, as follows :

William H. Radford.....	\$5,000
Alexander McDonald.....	5,000
Promissory note .....	1,250
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	\$11,250

**There is due from the Board of Missions the sum of \$800.**

**Accompanying this report is a statement of the Treasurer in detail.**

**WM. CROSWELL DOANE,  
AMASA J. PARKER,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN,  
ORLANDO MEADS.**

The Committee appointed to examine the account of receipts and disbursements in the matter of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, respectfully report that they find the same to be correct.

R. G. HAMILTON,  
G. H. F. VAN HORNE.

The Rev. S. H. Coxe, D. D., presented and read

## THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE INCORPORATION AND ADMISSION OF CHURCHES.

The Committee on the Admission of Churches respectfully report that they have received no immediate applications. In the case of St. Andrew's Church, Schroon, last year, they report that its application is defective, not having a certificate of the Ecclesiastical Authority, as the Canon directs.

(Signed.)

S. H. COXE,  
STILLMAN FOOTE,  
O. D. BALL,

*Committee.*

The Rev. C. C. Edmunds read the Reports of the "Society for Promoting Religion and Learning," and of the Treasurer of the Diocese on account of Theological Education, and of the Committee on the same.

## REPORT OF THE SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING RELIGION AND LEARNING IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

The Superintendent of the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning in the State of New York, as the Canonical agent of the Diocese of Albany for distributing all funds for theological education, would respectfully report:

That during the conventional year which terminated January 18, 1880, the Diocese of Albany has contributed for the cause of theological education, through the Society, the sum of sixty-six dollars and twenty-nine cents (\$66.29), as follows:

June	4.	Trinity Church, Potsdam.....	\$5 47
	12.	St. John's, Stockport .....	20 00
	14.	Christ Church, Walton . . . . .	2 45
	17.	do Herkimer .....	8 42
Aug.	5.	do Ballston Spa.....	10 52
Sep.	17.	St. Paul's Church, Troy....	20 00
Oct.	7.	Grace Church, Canton.....	4 48
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			\$66 29
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To the students of the General Theological Seminary from the Diocese of Albany, was appropriated last year by the Society, the sum of twelve hundred and fifty-five dollars, and for the current year the sum of twelve hundred and seventy dollars, which added to the appropriations made to St. Stephen's College, in aid of students of the Diocese of Albany, would make the annual appropriations of the Society for the Diocese to be upwards of two thousand dollars.

The Superintendent would require nothing more than the foregoing statistics to enforce any argument he might make for a more liberal response to the annual appeal of the Society; but he begs leave to call the attention of the Convention to the fact that the income of the Society has been considerably reduced, owing to causes which it is hoped will be but temporary, while the number of

applicants for aid is larger than ever before. It has become necessary to reduce the amounts usually given to students, so as in many cases to occasion embarrassment, if not actual distress, and it would seem as if some radical changes might become necessary in the policy or methods of the Society, unless a more general interest can be awakened in the cause of theological education, and more general liberal and systematic contributions are made for an object so vital to the continued growth and extension of the Church.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ANDREW OLIVER,

Superintendent of the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning  
in the State of New York.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE OF MON-  
EYS RECEIVED AND DISBURSED FOR THEOLOGICAL  
EDUCATION FOR THE YEAR 1879.

Receipts.

Balance on hand, as per last report.....	\$37 95
Holy Cross, Troy.....	25 00
Cathedral of All Saints.....	5 00
Special per Bishop Doane.....	50 00
St. Paul's, Salem.....	75 00
St. Mark's, Hooeac Falls.....	15 00
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	\$207 95
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Disbursements.

1879.		
Jan. 20.	Rev. W. C. Prout, for Mr. Studley.....	\$37 95
April 19.	Rt. Rev. Wm. Croswell Doane.....	30 00
Aug. 27.	Fred. Chapin Jewell.....	20 90
Sept. 17.	Rev. R. B. Fairbairn.....	105 00
Dec. 31.	R. M. Harison, Treasurer.....	15 00
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		\$207 95
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SELDEN E. MARVIN, Treasurer.

The Committee appointed to receive the reports of the Superintendent of the Society for the "Promotion of Religion and Learning," and the Diocesan Treasurer, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts and find them to be correct.

They would further beg leave to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Convention calls the attention of the clergy anew to Canon XIII, and earnestly recommends to them severally, to take a collection in their churches, respectively, in one of the four Ember seasons in behalf of theological education, and commends to the attention of clergy and laity the following passage in the last Annual Address of the Bishop, to wit:

"The Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning has always treated this Diocese with a very generous interest, appropriating its fair share of moneys to the support of its students. And I do not want to divert from that treasury the offerings of the various congregations for theological education.

"But I must have more money for the rising men who are preparing for the ministry, to buy their books and pay the college and seminary bills; and I turn with confidence to the laity of this Diocese, addressing them severally, and exhorting them without delay to send me such sums as they are willing to intrust to this important object. I need at least from five hundred to seven hundred

and fifty dollars a year, to use quietly and at my discretion, that the students of theology in this Diocese may be kept from the anxiety of debt and poverty, which interferes alike with their spirit and their power of study ; or from being compelled to 'entangle themselves with the affairs of this life,' which distract their minds and absorb their time."

CHARLES C. EDMUNDS,  
R. H. CUSHNEY,  
JOHN C. TEBBETTS.

The resolution contained in the report was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Fulcher presented and read

### THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Committee upon Unfinished Business, upon examination, find there is no *unfinished business* to report upon.

THOMAS B. FULCHER,  
BYRON J. HALL,  
JOHN L. VAN VALKENBURGH.

The reports of the Registrar of the Diocese, and of the Committee on the same, were read :

### REGISTRAR'S REPORT, 1880.

The Registrar of the Diocese would respectfully report, 1st. That he has placed on file whatever documents have been received during the past year, for preservation in the archives of the Diocese ; 2d. That he has caused twelve volumes of Convention Journals to be bound, at a cost of six dollars ; 3d. That he has made a thorough examination of the books and pamphlets in his care, and found them in as good condition as could be expected from the means placed at his disposal in years past for the preservation of the archives of the Diocese ; 4th. That he has made a very complete catalogue of the books, pamphlets and manuscripts belonging to the Diocese, which is placed on file in the archives ; 5th. That he finds the book-case cumbered with a large number of duplicate journals of the different Dioceses, and he asks the pleasure of the Convention as to what disposal shall be made of them.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE FISHER,  
*Registrar of the Diocese of Albany.*

The Committee on Registrar's Report would report they have received a very full report of the number of historical documents in the hands of the Registrar, and find them in satisfactory condition. They would recommend that he be instructed by this Convention to dispose of superfluous documents now on hand to the best advantage.

J. B. PITMAN,  
BENJAMIN M. DUANE.

On motion of Rev. J. W. Stewart, the recommendation contained in the report was adopted.

The reports of the Superintendent and Treasurer of the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, and of the Committee on the same, were read :

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE ORPHAN HOUSE OF THE HOLY SAVIOUR, FOR 1879.

There have been fifty-five children at the Diocesan Orphanage during the past year. Of these six have been dismissed to homes, believed to be satisfactory. The present number is forty-nine — boys, fifteen; girls, thirty-four. The usual number of the household throughout the year has been forty children, and four grown persons in charge.

The health of the family has been good, and it is with humble thankfulness that we record the fact that there has been no contagious disease among the children. Our warmest thanks are due to Dr. Bassett for his very kind, faithful and gratuitous attention to the health of the children.

With means barely adequate, and conveniences still lacking, the work must necessarily be one of daily toil and anxiety. One improvement has become absolutely necessary; the need of a laundry, in addition to the small kitchen of the house, is so pressing that we shall be compelled to have part of the woodshed arranged for the purpose. A bath-room is also greatly needed, but there seems no prospect of procuring one.

In November, after visiting the Orphanage and professing to be much pleased with its condition, the Supervisors of Otsego county applied to the Superintendent to receive all the pauper children under their charge, usually some seventy in the course of the year, the payment to be \$1.50 per week. They were told that the question must be referred to the Board of Trustees, and an answer was promised. The Bishop was consulted. He declared that he was in favor of this enlargement of the work, thus improving the opportunity for Christian usefulness offered to us; he also declared that he did not believe it possible to collect at that busy season — in December — a quorum of the full Board, and that consequently the Executive Committee of resident Trustees would be obliged to settle the question. A meeting of the Committee was accordingly called, a vote in favor of receiving the children was taken, and Mr. Keese and Mr. Avery were appointed a Committee to confer with the Supervisors. Mr. Edward Clark, our kind landlord, was applied to for the necessary enlargement of the house, additional rent to be paid, of course, and a favorable answer was received from him. It was proposed to place all the boys in the new building, and to apply for a Missionary who should make his home in the house, performing Sunday services in the neighborhood, and in the week acting as Chaplain to the family and overseer of the boys, who were to occupy the new building with him. The Board of Supervisors having strongly urged this plan upon the Superintendent of the Poor, by a vote of twenty-two ayes to two nays, the question was considered settled. The final authority, however, rests with the Superintendent of the Poor, and although very friendly to the Orphanage, at the last moment, before signing the contract, he changed his views, having received a proposal to leave the boys in their former quarters at a cost a little less than the moderate terms we required. The girls only will, therefore, be sent to the Orphanage. Twelve have already been received by us. The number of pauper girls has seldom been more than twenty in the course of one year, in this county, as they can be made useful in families, and are sent to places very early. An addition will still be needed for these children, but a small wing will be all that is required; meanwhile they can be provided for temporarily in the present building. They are generally small which makes their companionship harmless, and the hope of their improvement the greater. May this addition to our work be blessed to the Lord's service, and the good of these helpless little ones.



The ladies of different parishes have kindly remembered us, as usual. Useful boxes or packages of bedding have been received from Cherry Valley, St. John's, Troy, Otego, Johnstown, Christ Church, Hudson, Hadley, Richfield Springs and Gilbertsville. And the ladies of Christ Church, Cooperstown, Cherry Valley, Otego, Portlandville and Richfield have been very kind in sewing for us; small articles have also been very gratefully received from different friends, all very useful.

During the past year the receipts have been as follows: For board of children \$1,134.20, of which \$624 from Otsego county, for board of children; offerings of fifty-four churches, \$942.71; from individuals, \$633.20; sale of grass, \$9; coupon, \$70; cash on hand January 1, 1879, \$31.48. Total receipts, \$2,819.59.

Disbursements, for a family usually numbering forty-four persons: Provisions, lights and soap, \$1,292.40; salaries and wages, \$675.15; furniture and crockery, \$134; coal and wood, \$204.58; dry goods and clothing, \$85.05; medicines and dentistry, \$39.42; shoes, \$120; school books and stationery, \$21.10; rent, \$250; total, \$2,822.70, leaving \$3.11 due to the Treasurer. There still remains, however, an indebtedness on the expenditure for 1879 of about \$400, for nine months of unpaid rent, and for bills for shoes, hardware, dry goods and school-books, the bills not having been presented before January 1, 1880.

The Building Fund of \$1,000 is untouched, and pays interest of seven per cent.

The subject of Memorial Scholarships, or scholarships otherwise endowed by individuals or parishes, is again respectfully urged upon the attention of the friends of this Orphanage. What more appropriate memorial of a departed relative could be desired than a scholarship in a Diocesan Orphanage, bearing in perpetuity the individual name, and carrying with it, if desired, the right of appointment, while it insures for generations the loving work of feeding one of the "Lambs" so urgently commended to the care of the Church by the blessed Lord Himself?

One such scholarship is now being founded as a memorial of that devoted Missionary servant of the Lord, "Father Nash," whose labors were so efficient in this Diocese in past years. One hundred dollars are now at interest accumulating for this purpose, and five dollars have been recently added by five individuals. If all those who were baptized, or whose parents or grandparents were baptized by that venerable man, would send an offering to this fund, the entire amount of \$1,000 would soon be provided.

Respectfully submitted,

SUSAN FENIMORE COOPER,  
*Superintendent Orphan House of the Holy Saviour.*

January 1, 1880.

## ABSTRACT OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT.

### *Receipts.*

Balance on hand .....	\$31 48
From parishes, etc .....	2,788 11
Balance due Treasurer .....	3 11
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	\$2,822 70
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### *Disbursements.*

Salaries, wages and labor .....	\$675 15
Provisions .....	1,292 40
Furniture, hardware, etc .....	140 75



Shoes, clothing, etc.....	\$199 30
Coal and wood .....	204 58
Medicines, etc .....	89 42
Books and stationery.....	21 10
Rent to April 1, 1879 .....	250 00
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	\$3,822 70
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Balance due Treasurer .....	\$3 11
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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORTS OF TREASURER  
AND SUPERINTENDENT OF THE ORPHAN HOUSE OF  
THE HOLY SAVIOUR.

The Committee on the Diocesan Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, having under consideration the reports of the Superintendent and Treasurer, note with pleasure and thankfulness to God the very promising condition of the work reported as above. Also, that the work seems to be in a fair way to be advanced and enlarged, the only drawback being the lack of funds. As there is so little asked for, the Diocese ought to make a special effort to urge upon the different parishes the necessity of increasing their offerings. The Committee feel very confident that the extra amount can be raised, and would suggest that, in view of the increase of applications, the matter should receive prompt attention and a liberal support.

The Committee would specially call the attention of the Diocese to the fact that the Canon *requires* an offering for the Orphanage at least once a year, and the Sunday after Purification Day is the uniform day set apart for that purpose. Notwithstanding this, scarcely one-half the parishes complied with this requirement during the past year.

The report of the Superintendent shows that many children from the county of Otsego have been taken into the Orphanage, and that were it not for the moneys received from this source, the institution could not sustain itself six months.

Such a state of things ought not to be, and the Diocese should see to it that so important a charity and work of mercy is fully supported as a Church Institution and by the Church.

We heartily indorse what the Superintendent has to say on the subject of the Memorial Scholarships, and join with her in commending it to all those who have at heart the success and welfare of this work.

H. R. HOWARD,  
J. W. ST. JOHN.

The hour for the Annual Elections having arrived, the Rt. Rev. President appointed the Tellers.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

*Clerical Vote.*

The Rev. G. F. Breed,  
E. D. Ferguson, M. D.

*Lay Vote.*

The Rev. W. M. Cook,  
Mr. Julius St. John.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

*Clerical Vote.*

The Rev. Newton Dexter,  
Mr. Wm. L. Dubois.

*Lay Vote.*

The Rev. C. A. Bragdon,  
Mr. Theodore Townsend.

**PROVISIONAL DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.**

*Clerical Vote.*

The Rev. E. R. Armstrong,  
Mr. Theodore Tromblee, Jr.

*Lay Vote.*

The Rev. A. H. Stubbs,  
Mr. R. Winegar.

**DEPUTIES TO THE FEDERATE COUNCIL.**

*Clerical Vote.*

The Rev. W. B. Walker,  
Mr. E. J. Cridge.

*Lay Vote.*

The Rev. J. D. Skene,  
Mr. James McQuide.

Nominations being in order, the Revs. William Payne, D. D., J. Livingston Reese, D. D., J. Ireland Tucker, S. T. D., Samuel B. Bostwick, S. T. D., Messrs. Orlando Meads, Robert Earl, Henry R. Pierson and Joseph W. Fuller were nominated for election as members of the Standing Committee.

The Revs. William Payne, D. D., W. W. Battershall, D. D., Francis Harison, S. T. D., Henry R. Howard, S. T. D., E. N. Potter, D. D., G. W. Dean, S. T. D., Messrs. Orlando Meads, James Forsyth, G. Pomeroy Keese and Erastus Corning were nominated for election as Deputies to the General Convention.

The Revs. George W. Dean, S. T. D., J. D. Morrison, D. D., E. N. Potter, D. D., W. M. Ogden, J. L. Reese, D. D., Frank L. Norton, Joseph Carey, S. T. D., Messrs. Robert Earl, James Gibson, George B. Warren and Joseph W. Fuller were nominated for election as Provisional Deputies to the General Convention.

The roll of the Clergy was called by the Secretary, and the roll of Lay Delegates by the Assistant Secretary.

Ballots were received for members of the Standing Committee, Deputies to the General Convention and Provisional Deputies to the General Convention.

The Rt. Rev. President announced that the polls were closed, and directed the tellers to count the votes, for which purpose they had leave to retire.

The ballot was dispensed with, and Mr. Walter A. Wood was elected Lay Member of the Board of Missions for the Convocation of Troy.

The Revs. F. M. Cookson and John C. Tebbetts were elected Deputies to the Federate Council.

The tellers of ballots for the Standing Committee presented their reports.

**REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE CLERICAL VOTE FOR  
STANDING COMMITTEE.**

Whole number of votes cast, 67; necessary to a choice, 34. The Rev. Dr. Payne received 67; the Rev. Dr. Reese, 67; the Rev. Dr. Tucker, 67; the Rev. Dr. Bostwick, 67. Mr. O. Meads received 67; Mr. R. Earl, 66; Mr. H. R. Pierson, 66, and Mr. J. W. Fuller, 67.

G. F. BREED,

E. D. FERGUSON,

Tellers.

## REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE LAY VOTE FOR STANDING COMMITTEE.

Whole number of votes cast, 26; necessary to a choice, 14. The Rev. Drs. Payne, Reese, Tucker, and Bostwick each received 26, and Messrs. Orlando Meads, Robert Earl, H. R. Pierson and J. W. Fuller each received 26.

W. M. COOK,  
J. W. ST. JOHN,  
*Tellers.*

The Rt. Rev. President declared elected as

## THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Rev. WILLIAM PAYNE, D. D.,	Mr. ORLANDO MEADS,
The Rev. J. LIVINGSTON REESE, D. D.,	Mr. ROBERT EARL,
The Rev. J. IRELAND TUCKER, S. T. D.,	Mr. HENRY R. PIERSON,
The Rev. SAMUEL B. BOSTWICK, S. T. D.,	Mr. JOSEPH W. FULLER.

The tellers of the clerical vote for Deputies to the General Convention reported that they had found two similar ballots folded together and voted, and asked for instructions; on motion of Rev. Dr. Harison they were directed to throw out both ballots.

The Convention took a recess until two o'clock in the afternoon.

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## TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON.

The Convention reassembled.

The Rt. Rev. President took the chair and called the Convention to order.

The tellers of the votes for Deputies to the General Convention presented their reports.

## REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE CLERICAL VOTE FOR DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Whole number of votes cast, 74; necessary to a choice, 38. Rev. Wm. Payne, D. D., received 72; Rev. W. W. Battershall, D. D., 72; Rev. Francis Harison, S. T. D., 72; Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D., 64; Rev. E. N. Potter, D. D., 19. Mr. Orlando Meads, 71; Mr. James Forsyth, 71; Mr. G. Pomeroy Keese, 71; Mr. Erastus Corning, 71; scattering, 9.

NEWTON DEXTER,  
WM. L. DUBOIS,  
*Tellers.*

## REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE LAY VOTE FOR DEPU- TIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Whole number of votes cast, 30; necessary to a choice, 16. Rev. Wm. Payne, D. D., received 29; Rev. W. W. Battershall, D. D., 29; Rev. F. Harison, S. T. D., 29; Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D., 19; Rev. E. N. Potter, D. D., 10. Mr. Orlando Meads, 29; Mr. James Forsyth, 28; Mr. G. Pomeroy Keese, 29; Mr. Erastus Corning, 29; scattering, 1; blank, 1.

CHARLES A. BRAGDON,  
THEODORE TOWNSEND,  
*Tellers.*

The Right Rev. President declared elected as

**DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.**

Rev. WILLIAM PAYNE, D. D.,  
Rev. W. W. BATTERSHALL, D. D.,  
Rev. FRANCIS HARISON, S. T. D.,  
Rev. HENRY R. HOWARD, S. T. D.,

Mr. ORLANDO MEADS,  
Mr. JAMES FORSYTH,  
Mr. G. POMEROY KEESE,  
Mr. ERASTUS CORNING.

The tellers of the votes for Provisional Deputies to the General Convention presented their reports.

**REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE CLERICAL VOTE FOR PROVISIONAL DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.**

Whole number of votes cast, 78 ; necessary to a choice, 37. The Rev. G. W. Dean, S. T. D., received 73 ; the Rev. J. D. Morrison, D. D., 58 ; Rev. J. L. Reese, D. D., 29 ; Rev. E. N. Potter, D. D., 26 ; Rev. W. M. Ogden, 18 ; Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D., 26 ; Rev. F. L. Norton, 18 ; Rev. F. M. Cookson, 7. Mr. Robert Earl, 73 ; Mr. James Gibson, 73 ; Mr. George B. Warren, 73 ; Mr. Joseph W. Fuller, 73 ; scattering, 83.

E. R. ARMSTRONG,  
T. TROMBLEE,

*Tellers.*

**REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE LAY VOTE FOR PROVISIONAL DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.**

Whole number of votes cast, 29 ; necessary to a choice, 15. The Rev. G. W. Dean, S. T. D., received 28 ; Rev. J. D. Morrison, D. D., 25 ; Rev. E. N. Potter, D. D., 12 ; Rev. J. L. Reese, D. D., 19 ; Rev. W. M. Ogden, 7 ; Rev. F. L. Norton, 6 ; Mr. Robert Earl, 29 ; Mr. James Gibson, 29 ; Mr. George B. Warren, 29 ; Mr. Joseph W. Fuller, 29 ; scattering, 20.

A. H. STUBBS,  
R. WINEGAR,

*Tellers.*

The Rt. Rev. President declared elected as

**PROVISIONAL DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.**

Rev. George W. Dean, S. T. D.,  
Rev. J. D. Morrison, D. D.,

Mr. Robert Earl,  
Mr. James Gibson,  
Mr. George B. Warren,  
Mr. Joseph W. Fuller.

There being two clerical vacancies the Convention proceeded to another ballot. The Rt. Rev. President appointed the Rev. J. T. Pearce and Mr. T. R. Wade tellers of the lay vote.

The roll of the Clergy was called by the Secretary, and the roll of Lay Delegates by the Assistant Secretary.

Ballots were received for two Clerical Provisional Deputies to General Convention.

The Rt. Rev. President announced that the polls were closed, and directed the tellers to count the votes, for which purpose they had leave to retire.

The Rev. Mr. Phillips offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That it is the decided opinion of this Convention that none but communicants should be elected Church Wardens and Vestrymen; and that in no case should an unbaptized man be made Warden or Vestryman.

The Rev. C. C. Edmunds offered the following substitute for it :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Constitution and Canons be requested to prepare and report to this Convention at its next session, such a Canon upon the subject of the election of Vestrymen of parishes as shall secure the choice of none but communicants of the Church for that position.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harison the whole subject was postponed till the next Convention.

On motion of the Secretary, the resolution of the Committee on Canons, which was laid on the table in the evening of the first day, was taken from the table; and on motion of Rev. F. M. Cookson, it was adopted, as follows:

*Resolved*, That the Board of Missions be recommended to consider the policy of appointing an Executive Committee, to hold frequent meetings and take charge of the interests of Missions between the stated meetings of the Board.

The Rev. H. M. Smyth presented and read

## THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NON-REPORTING CLERGY AND PARISHES.

The Committee on Non-Reporting Clergy and Parishes respectfully report that the following Clergy and Parishes are recorded in the journal of the last Convention as having failed to report:

The Rev. William R. Johnson,  
William S. Rowe,  
Alfred H. Stubbs,  
J. Hutchings Brown,  
R. Julius Adler,  
W. H. N. Stewart, LL. D.,  
John B. Tibbitts,

The Rev. Hewlett R. Peters, D. D.,  
J. Ireland Tucker, S. T. D.  
E. N. Potter, D. D.,  
J. W. McIlwaine,  
Richard Harding,  
Augustus Prime,  
Robert Granger,

### PARISHES.

St. Mark's, Green Island,  
St. Luke's, Richfield,  
St. John's, Stillwater,

Christ, Hudson,  
St. Mark's, Garrattsville,  
St. Luke's, Mechanicville.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Convention be, and hereby is, directed to ask of the non-reporting clergy and parishes their reasons for not complying with the requirements of the Canon, and that the clergy be requested to add the unreported statistics to the report of the current year.

HENRY M. SMYTH, *Chairman*.

The resolution contained in the Report was adopted.

The tellers of the vote for Provisional Deputies to the General Convention presented their reports.

## REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE CLERICAL VOTE.

Whole number of votes cast, 52 ; necessary to a choice, 27. The Rev. J. L. Reese, D. D. received 34 ; Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D., 24 ; Rev. F. M. Cookson, 15 ; Rev. E. N. Potter, D. D., 14 ; Rev. W. M. Ogden, 7 ; scattering, 4 ; blank, 1.

E. R. ARMSTRONG,  
T. TROMBLEE,

*Tellers.*

## REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE LAY VOTE.

Whole number of votes cast, 19 ; necessary to a choice, 10. The Rev. J. L. Reese, D. D. received 15 ; Rev. E. N. Potter, D. D., 8 ; scattering, 13.

JOHN T. PEARCE,  
THOMAS R. WADE,

*Tellers.*

The Rt. Rev. President declared elected as Provisional Deputy to the General Convention, the Rev. J. Livingston Reese, D. D.

There being still one vacancy, the Convention proceeded to a third ballot.

The roll of the Clergy was called by the Secretary, and the roll of the Lay Delegates by the Assistant Secretary.

Ballots were received for one Provisional Deputy to General Convention.

The Rt. Rev. President announced that the polls were closed, and directed the tellers to count the votes, for which purpose they had leave to retire.

On motion of Rev. F. M. Cookson, it was

*Resolved*, That a Standing Committee of five Laymen be appointed to take charge of the matter of taxes, insurance and necessary repairs upon the Bishop's house, and to collect money required for the same.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed as such Committee, Messrs. Amasa J. Parker, Jr., Robert S. Oliver, C. W. Tillinghast, Walter P. Warren and H. C. Lockwood.

On motion of Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D., it was

*Resolved*, That a Special Committee of three be appointed to learn from Mr. J. S. Perry the amount expended by him in the matter of the purchase of the Bishop's house ; and to secure, if possible, from members of the Diocese a sum sufficient for the payment of the same.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed as such Committee, the Rev. Edwin Coan, Messrs. H. R. Pierson and Samuel Earl.

The Rev. F. M. Cookson offered the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the counties of Clinton and Essex be separated from the Convocation of Troy and added to the Convocation of Ogdensburgh.

Which was laid on the table until the next Convention.

On motion of the Rev. J. H. Houghton, it was

*Resolved*, That this Convention appreciate the efforts of Prof. W. C. Willcox, of the North Granville Military Academy, to afford to the Church an education of its boys under its own supervision and influence.

On motion of Rev. F. M. Cookson, it was

*Resolved*, That the question of the change of the boundaries of the Convocation of Ogdensburgh be referred to the Special Committee on the organization of the Board of Missions.

On motion of the Rev. W. N. Irish, it was

*Resolved*, That the Committee on Constitution and Canons be authorized to print a new edition of the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese, together with such parts of the Laws of the State as they may think expedient.

The tellers of the vote for Provisional Deputies to the General Convention presented their reports.

### REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE CLERICAL VOTE.

Whole number of votes cast, 61 ; necessary to a choice, 31. The Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D., received 38 ; Rev. F. M. Cookson, 10 ; Rev. E. N. Potter, D. D., 8 ; scattering, 5.

E. R. ARMSTRONG,  
T. TROMBLEE,

*Tellers.*

### REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE LAY VOTE.

Whole number of votes cast, 20 ; necessary to a choice, 11. The Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D., received 11 ; scattering, 9.

JOHN T. PEARCE,  
THOMAS R. WADE,

*Tellers.*

The Rt. Rev. President declared the Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D., elected a Provisional Deputy to the General Convention.

The appointment of Trustees being in order, on motion of the Secretary they were appointed by the Convention, as follows:

#### OF THE FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN.

Messrs. Orlando Meads, Joseph W. Fuller, Amasa J. Parker, Jr.

#### OF THE FUND FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

Messrs. John I. Thompson, John Hobart Warren, J. W. Tillinghast.

The Bishop appointed as Examining Chaplains: The Rev. J. Ireland Tucker, S. T. D., the Rev. J. D. Morrison, D. D., the Rev. G. W. Dean, S. T. D., the Rev. William N. Irish, the Rev. George L. Neide, the Rev. W. H. Cook, the Rev. William R. Woodbridge, the Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D., and the Rev. F. Harison, S. T. D.

The Rev. E. T. Chapman presented and read

**THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GENERAL  
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.**

ST PAUL'S CHURCH, TROY, N. Y.,  
January 14, 1880. }

The Committee on General Theological Seminary respectfully report that they recommend the reappointment of the following named gentlemen as Trustees on behalf of this Diocese, of the General Theological Seminary :

The Rev. F. M. Cookson,  
Edgar T. Chapman,  
Joseph Carey, D. D.,  
Francis Harison, D. D.,  
William B. Walker,  
Robert Weeks,  
George W. Dean, D. D.,

The Rev. J. W. Stewart,  
Mr. Orlando Meads,  
J. H. Van Antwerp,  
J. Hobart Warren,  
Selden E. Marvin,  
James Forsyth,  
George B. McCartee.

Your Committee also further recommend the appointment of the Rev. Walker Gwynne to fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal from the Diocese of the Rev. E. M. Pecke.

Your Committee also further recommend the appointment of the following named gentlemen as additional Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, under a resolution of the Convention of the Diocese of New York, September, 1879, appropriating "the sum of ten thousand dollars to the credit of the Diocese of Albany," for the purpose of "representation in the Board of Trustees of the Seminary," to wit: The Rev. Byron J. Hall, the Rev. William M. Ogden, the Rev. Henry R. Howard, D. D., Mr. Robert S. Oliver and Mr. T. Streatfield Clarkson.

Your Committee also respectfully report that upon examination they find that here are twelve students from this Diocese now pursuing their studies at the General Theological Seminary.

EDGAR T. CHAPMAN,  
JAMES E. HALL,  
GEO. B. MCCARTEE,  
F. A. W. ARMSTRONG,  
JNO. KEYES PAIGE,  
GEO. B. WARREN.

On motion of the Rev. E. T. Chapman it was

*Resolved*, That the persons nominated in this report be, and are hereby, elected to be nominated as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary for this Diocese.

The following resolution was offered by the Rev. E. Selkirk :

*Resolved*, That the Committee on the assessments to make up the deficiency of the Bishop's salary be requested, in making their assessments, to have reference to the financial ability of parishes, and not to their having paid the assessments heretofore made.

Which was laid on the table.

On motion of the Rev. I. McElroy, it was

*Resolved*, That the Clergy be recommended to append to their Parochial Reports the times of Service, of Holy Communion and Daily Prayers, and note any additional observances throughout the year.

On motion of Rev. J. H. Houghton, it was

*Resolved*, That a Committee of seven be appointed to overlook the interests of the Church in the North Granville Military Academy.



The Rt. Rev. President appointed as such Committee, the Revs. J. L. Reese, D. D., Joseph Carey, S. T. D., W. C. Prout and J. H. Houghton, and Messrs. William Kemp, H. B. Dauchy and A. C. Bunn, M. D.

On motion of Mr. Orlando Meads, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be rendered to the Rector and Vestry of St. Paul's Church, Troy, for the very ample and admirable arrangements made by them for the accommodation of the Convention at its present session; and also for the very generous hospitality the members of the Convention have received at the hands of the Rector and other Churchmen of Troy; and to the Organist and Choir of St. Paul's Church for the most excellent and churchly music which the Convention have enjoyed.

On motion of the Rev. J. W. Stewart, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Convention be given to the Secretaries for their labors and efficient performance of their duties.

On motion of the Rev. J. W. Stewart, it was

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to print one thousand copies of the Bishop's Address, apart from the Journal, and to send them to the Clergy of the Diocese as early as possible.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to print twelve hundred and fifty copies of the Journal of the Convention, and distribute them to the various parishes.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Harison, it was

*Resolved*, That such parts of the Addresses of the Bishop in the last and in the present Convention as relate to the loss by certain parishes of their union with the Convention, be referred to the Committee on Non-reporting Parishes, and that they be also instructed to consider and report upon the cases of other parishes, if any, which have been dropped from the list of parishes in union with the Convention.

*Resolved*, That one additional Lay Member be added to the Committee.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed Mr. James Forsyth such additional Lay Member of the Committee on Non-Reporting Parishes.

On motion of Rev. I. McElroy, the Convention took a recess until half past seven o'clock in the evening.

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#### FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON.

The Evening Prayer was said, the Reverends W. M. Ogden and C. T. Whittemore officiating.

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#### HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK.

The Convention reassembled.

The 202d Hymn was sung.

The Bishop delivered the remainder of his Annual Address.

On motion of the Rev. J. H. Houghton, it was

*Resolved*, That this Convention returns its hearty thanks to Selden E. Marvin, Esq., for his courageous, continuous and indefatigable services as Treasurer of the Diocese of Albany.

The minutes of this day's proceedings were read and adopted.

On motion of the Rev. J. W. Stewart, it was

*Resolved*, That after the customary devotions, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Bishop briefly addressed the Convention.

The 289th Hymn was sung ; Prayers were said by the Rev. Robert Washbon, and the Bishop pronounced the Benediction.

The Convention adjourned *sine die*.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE,

*Bishop of Albany and President of the Convention.*

W. C. PROUT, *Secretary.*

THOMAS B. FULCHER, *Assistant Secretary.*



# APPENDIX.

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(A.)

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

### Albany County.

#### CATHEDRAL OF ALL SAINTS, ALBANY.

Priest in charge. The Rev. Edwin Coan, Canon.

Assistant. The Rev. Thos. B. Fulcher, Minor Canon.

#### CHAPTER.

The Rev. E. T. Chapman, Treasurer.

A. Bleecker Banks, George Evans.

Orlando Meads, LL. D., V. Chancellor.

Erastus Corning, Thomas Hun, M. D.

Gen. S. E. Marvin, Assistant Treasurer.

C. N. Greig, Succentor.

Lay Readers. S. S. Fine, James M. Hawley, E. E. Clapp.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 125 ; Individuals (Adults, about 350, Children, 200) ; Baptisms (Adults, 10, Infants, 17), 27 ; Confirmed, 37 ; Marriages, 3 ; Burials, 12 ; Churchings, 3 ; Communicants, last reported, 248, admitted, 36, received, 15, died, 3, removed, 8, present number recorded, 288 ; Public Services (Sundays, 160, Holy Days, 24, other days, 718) ; Holy Communion (public, 152, private, 10) ; Sunday School, teachers, 20, pupils, 120 ; Catechizing, number of children, 100, number of times, 25 ; St. Agnes School, teachers, 20, pupils, 210.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$240 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$9,054.76 ; Sunday School, \$14.36 ; Other Parochial objects, \$89.51. Total, \$9,398.63.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$1,003.41 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$150 ; Diocesan Fund, \$62 50 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$15 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$5 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$180 ; the Child's Hospital, \$903.71 ; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$71.56. Total, \$1,796.18.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$118.94.

Total amount of Offerings, \$11,313.75.

Salaries, \$2,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Chapel, 950.

All free.

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ALBANY.**

Rector. The Rev. Walton W. Battershall, D. D.

Wardens. Harmon Pumpelly, George Dexter.

Vestrymen. Henry R. Pierson, John S. Perry, George S. Weaver, Joseph W. Tillinghast, Albert C. Judson, Henry T. Martin, Luther H. Tucker.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 26), 32; Confirmed, 18; Marriages, 12; Burials, 26; Communicants, last reported, 434, admitted, 18, died, 12, present number recorded, 440; Public services (Sundays, 106, Holy Days, 34, other days, 208), 348; Holy Communion (public, 46, private, 9), 55; Sunday School, teachers, 40, pupils, 280; Catechizing, number of children, 280, number of times, monthly; Parish School, teachers, 5, pupils, 25.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$842.83; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$11,033.17; Sunday School, \$150.05; St. Peter's Orphans' Home, \$1,416.94; Easter Offertory for Parish House, \$2,000; St. Peter's Industrial Association, \$326.44; Christmas decorations and tree, \$251.15; Carpet for Church, \$812. Total, \$16,832.58.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$718.95; Salary of the Bishop, \$150; Diocesan Fund, \$120; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$34.48; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$62.61; the Child's Hospital, \$71.87; Mission at Mineville, \$25; Mission at East Line, \$300. Total, \$1,482.91.

General.— Domestic Missions, \$316.70; Foreign Missions, \$51.75; Indian Missions, \$164.60; Home Missions to Colored Persons, Chapel of St. Mary, Baltimore, \$25; Mission to Jews, \$24.21; Mexican League, \$700; College at Shanghai, \$200; Rev. Dr. Nevin, Paris Mission, \$68.80; Nebraska Divinity School, \$10; General Missions, from Sunday School, Lent Offerings, \$20.34; Bishop Tuttle, \$100. Total, \$1,681.40.

Total amount of Offerings, \$19,996.89.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$190,000; Parsonage and Lot (freehold lease), \$12,000; Other Property, Parish house, \$30,000; St. Peter's Orphans' Home, \$12,000. Total, \$244,000.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$4,000; Extra, \$500.

Number of Sitzings in the Church and Chapel, 1,250.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ALBANY.**

Rector. The Rev. J. Livingston Reese.

Assistant. The Rev. Frederick O. Granniss.

Wardens. J. H. Van Antwerp, Jos. Osborne.

Vestrymen. Wm. Lacy, Matthew W. Bender, A. P. Palmer, L. Bew, Wm. Hill, John Woodward, Garrett Van Allen, H. E. Sickles.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 15, Infants, 88), 103; Confirmed, 64; Marriages, 13; Burial 45; Communicants, last reported, 540, admitted, 56, received, 22, died, 11, removed,

35, present number recorded, 572 ; Sunday School, teachers, 80, pupils, 720 ; Industrial School, teachers, 8, pupils, 40.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$418.63 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$8,010 ; Sunday School, \$350 ; Sunday School Offerings, \$505.25 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$915 ; Other Parochial Objects: Mission Chapel, \$1,710 ; For the Poor, \$310.50 ; Other objects, \$1,262. Total, \$13,481.38.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$205 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$100 ; Diocesan Fund, \$75 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$18.59 ; Increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$350 ; Theological Education, \$50 ; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$257. Total, \$1,055.59.

General.—General Theological Seminary, \$100 ; Domestic Missions, \$320.53 ; Foreign Missions, \$342.79 ; Indian Missions, \$110 ; Deaf Mute Mission, \$40.81 ; Other Missions, \$262. Total, \$1,175.63.

Total amount of Offerings, \$15,712.60.

**ST. PAUL'S FREE CHAPEL, MISSION OF ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ALBANY.**

Rector. The Rev. J. Livingston Reese, D. D.

Assistant. The Rev. Frederick O. Granniss.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 170, Children, 125) ; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 18) ; Confirmed, 23 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 11 ; Communicants, admitted, 23, received, 8, died, 1, removed, 14, present number recorded, 134, actually communicating, 80 ; Sunday School, teachers, 13, pupils, 176.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$206 ; Sunday School, \$86.76 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$47.20 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$54.70. Total, \$394.66.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$3.50 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2. Total, \$5.50.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$3.42 ; Foreign Missions, \$3. Total, \$6.42.

Total amount of Offerings, \$406.58.

*Remarks.*

The work of St. Paul's Chapel being included in that reported by the Parish, the figures here given (those relating to the offerings entirely, and those indicating the number of families and individuals in part) must be deducted from the figures given in the report of St. Paul's Church.

**GRACE CHURCH, ALBANY.**

Rector. The Rev. D. L. Schwartz.

Wardens. John Jones, Charles W. White.

Vestrymen. Francis Freckleton, Thomas Penny, Geo. B. Longleway, William Clerk, Chambers Brown, James Kirtland, Wm. Wickens, Robert Strong.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 13, Infants, 60), 73 ; Confirmed, 22 ; Marriages, 14 ; Burials,

20 ; Churchings, 1 ; Communicants, last reported, 223, admitted, 14, received, 8, died, 7, removed, 2, present number recorded, 236 ; Public Services (Sundays, twice, Holy Days, once, other days, daily in Lent) ; Holy Communion (public, 21, private, 8) ; Sunday School, teachers, 34, pupils, 245 ; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,322.48 ; Sunday School, \$225. Total, \$3,547.48.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$6.53 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$24 ; Diocesan Fund, \$20. Total, \$50.53.

General.—Foreign Missions, \$10.13.

Total amount of Offerings, \$3,608.14.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$15,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000.  
Number of Sitzings in the Church, 350, free.

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, ALBANY.**

Rector. The Rev. Samuel E. Smith.

Wardens. Samuel M. Van Santvoord, William Mason.

Vestrymen. J. Rathbun, C. Palmer, G. H. Birchall, Wm. J. Dickson, Jr., O. D. Ball, M. D., L. L. Derby, Thomas Wills.

*Parochial.*

Families, 70 ; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 17), 20 ; Confirmed, 16 ; Marriages, 5 ; Burials, 16 ; Communicants, last reported, 175, admitted, 15, received, 9, died, 5, removed, 15, present number recorded, 179, actually communicating, nearly 125 ; Public Services (Sundays, 106, Holy Days, 8, other days, 48), 158 ; Holy Communion (public, 19, private, 10), 29 ; Sunday School, teachers, 15, pupils, 125 ; Catechizing, number of times, 21.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$50.12 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,437.96 ; Sunday School, \$219.72 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$32.87. Total, \$2,740.67.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$51.68 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$30 ; Diocesan Fund, \$54 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.50 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$10. Total, \$148.18.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$2.50 ; Mexican Missions, \$26 ; All Saints' Hall — Liberia, \$5.03 ; Thanksgiving collection, \$26.50. Total, \$60.03.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,948.88.

*Property.*

Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300.

Number Free, all.

*Remarks.*

In addition to the above Offerings the Sunday School contributed \$58 for the education of a child in the Indian Mission, known as the De Witt Scholarship, making the total amount of Offerings from the Parish over \$3,000.

TRINITY CHURCH, ALBANY.

Rector. The Rev. Edward Selkirk.

Warden. William Little.

Vestrymen. John Pritchard, William Grey, John A. Howe, Richard Norris, A. J. Yale, Wm. C. Gilliland, George H. Hawley, John Fisher.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 100 ; Individuals (Adults, about 800, Children, about 225), 525 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 9), 10 ; Confirmed, 6 ; Marriages, 34 ; Burials, 23 ; Communicants, last reported, 177, admitted, 6, received, 10, died, 5, removed 4, present number recorded, 184, actually communicating, 160 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 8, Other Days, 40), 152 ; Holy Communion, public, 18, private, 4 ; Sunday School, teachers and librarian, 20, pupils, about 200 ; Catechizing, number of children, 200, number of times, each Sunday, as Superintendent.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$25 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$760.83 ; Sunday School, \$50 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$50. Total, \$885.83.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$5 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$20 ; Diocesan Fund, \$10 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$4. Total, \$39.

Total amount of Offerings, \$924.83.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, COHOES.

Rector. The Rev. Walker Gwynne.

Wardens. Wm. N. Chadwick and Wm. E. Thorn.

Vestrymen. Wm. S. Smith, George Campbell, Joseph Chadwick, Michael Andrae, Samuel Horrocks, Robert Weir, Reuben Lee, James E. Place.

*Parochial.*

Families, 390 ; Individuals (Adults, 920, Children, 510), 1,430 ; Baptisms (Adults, 9, Infants, 64), 73 ; Confirmed, 19 ; Marriages, 12 ; Burials, 21 ; Churchings, 2 ; Communicants, last reported, 465, admitted, 29, received, 7, died, 5, removed, 5, present number recorded, 491 ; Public Services, Sundays, 150, Other Days, 450), 600 ; Holy Communion, public, 60, private, 10 ; Sunday School, teachers, 35, pupils, 400 ; Catechizing, number of children, 400, number of times, 51 ; Parish School, teachers, 1, pupils, 13.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$123.68 ; Alms at Holy Communion, special, \$39 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,427.51 ; Sunday School, \$140.23 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$107.80 ; Part Principal of Mortgage, \$3,000 ; Interest and expenses of transfer of same, \$1,381.07. Total, \$8,218.79.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$188.55 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$56 ; Diocesan Fund (for 1878 and 1879), \$91.50 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$5 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$12.50 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$5 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$16 ; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$2 ; German Mission, \$6.20 ; Theological Education, \$10. Total, \$392.75.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$3 ; Foreign Missions, \$8.50 ; Indian Missions, \$4.70 ; Mission to Jews, \$8 ; Church in Mexico, \$5. Total, \$29.20.

Total amount of Offerings, \$8,640.74.



*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$40,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$10,000.

Condition of Property, very good.

Indebtedness.—Mortgage, \$12,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 900.

Number Free, 900.

*Remarks.*

Two thousand dollars of the above receipts was a bequest from the late Mrs. Watson, *née* Garner.

## TRINITY CHURCH, WEST TROY.

Rector. The Rev. George F. Breed.

Wardens. Peter V. Hagner, William Hollands.

Vestrymen. Thomas Rath, John H. Hulsapple, Silas Betts, William Doring, Benj D. Judson, Joseph McQuide, Francis A. Witbeck and Alfred Spitzli.

*Parochial.*

Families, 200; Individuals (Adults, 425, Children, 350); Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 50); Confirmed, 13; Marriages, 2; Burials, 19; Communicants, last reported, 233, admitted, 20, received, 9, died, 4, removed, 7, present number recorded, 242; Public Services (Sundays, 171, Holy Days, 36, Other Days, 150); Holy Communion (public, 53, private, 2); Sunday School, teachers, 45, pupils, 275; Catechizing, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$134.13; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,317.68; Sunday School, \$185.57; for Sunday School, \$116.16; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,300; Other Parochial Objects, \$230. Total, \$4,283.54.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$56.63; Salary of the Bishop, \$32; Diocesan Fund, \$5; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$5; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$3.45; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$3; the Child's Hospital, \$9.25. Total, \$119.33.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$23.22; Foreign Missions, \$6.50. Total, \$29.72.

Total amount of Offerings, \$4,432.59.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$20,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000; Other Property: Parish Building, \$2,000; St. Gabriel's Chapel, \$2,300; St. Andrew's Chapel, \$700. Total, \$33,000. Condition of Property, good.

*Indebtedness.*

St. Gabriel's Chapel, \$500; Parish Building, \$316; Floating Debt, \$400. Total, \$1,216. Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, about 400, rented and free; Number of Sitzings in St. Gabriel's Chapel, 150, free; Number of Sitzings in St. Andrew's Chapel, 150, free.

*Remarks.*

The Mission work in the remote parts of the Parish has been successful during the year and is in good condition. Two points, one in the northern part and one

in the southern part of the Parish are important Mission and Sunday School centers, and have, from changes in the Parish and village, become *necessities*. The Chapels (St. Andrew's having been built this year) are owned and controlled by the Parish, through its representatives, the Rector, Wardens and Vestry, and the people understand that they are not centers for new or weak Missionary Parishes. The two Chapels form only a part of the necessary buildings of the Parish.

The much-needed Parish building in connection with the Church has been built, and in great part paid for by the sale of unavailable and encumbered property that the Parish has held for years. Owing to more prosperous times, faithful work on the part of the people and the good Providence of God, the indebtedness of the Parish has been *decreased* during the past six months \$500, and the value of the Church property *increased* \$700.

### ST. MARK'S CHURCH, GREEN ISLAND.

Rector. The Rev. R. J. Adler.

Wardens. Richard Leonard, Hon. Uri Gilbert.

Vestrymen. Thomas Nimmo, Henry Stowell, Robert Cole, Edward G. Gilbert, William Henry Harrison De Mille, James Madden, Percy M. Fenton, Thomas H. Walker.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 95 ; Individuals (Adults, 202, Children, 165), 367 ; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 35), 37 ; Confirmed, 14 ; Marriages, 4, Burials, 9 ; Churchings, 1 ; Communicants, present number recorded, 131, actually communicating, 49 ; Public Services (Sundays, 101, Holy Days, 2, Other Days, 62), 165 ; Holy Communion (public, 13, private, 2), 15 ; Sunday School, teachers, 16, pupils, 138 ; Catechizing, all the School once a month.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$14.35 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,265.71 ; Sunday School, \$165.87 ; Ladies' Society, \$155.04 ; Young Ladies' Aid, \$13.83 ; St. Mark's Guild, \$85.82. Total, \$1,700.62.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$10.13 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$10 ; Diocesan Fund, \$25. Total, \$45.13.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$14.60 ; Foreign Missions, \$10.35. Total, \$24.95. Total amount of Offerings, \$1,770.70.

Seats, free.

### TRINITY CHURCH, RENSSELAERVILLE.

Rector. The Rev. Robert Washbon.

Wardens. James G. Jarvis, Franklin Frisbee.

Vestrymen. John L. Rice, Robert J. Washbon, Nathaniel Teed, Perrie Gifford, Sylvester Stone, Thos. W. Smith, Henry P. Sweet, Edward Smith.

#### *Parochial.*

Baptisms (Infants, 2) ; Confirmed, 9 ; Marriages, 1 ; Communicants, admitted, 9, present number, 75 ; Catechizing, number of children, 130.

#### *Offerings.*

Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; the Child's Hospital, \$3 ; Domestic Missions, \$7.50 ; Foreign Missions, \$7.50 ; Other purposes, \$130.31.

Total amount of Offerings, \$154.31.

*Property.*

Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 1, 200.

*Remarks.*

A portion of the above offerings have been sent to Diocesan objects by the persons appointed by the Vestry to receive and remit, and proper receipts taken, so far as is known by the Rector.

**Clinton County.****ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CHAMPLAIN.**

Rector. The Rev. Irving McElroy, M. A.

Wardens. David Finley, S. Alonzo Kellogg.

Vestrymen. James Averill, Jr., George H. Burroughs, Henry Hoyle, Henry Durham, J. Goulding Smith.

*Parochial.*

Families, 30; Individuals (Adults, 73, Children, 42), 115; Baptisms (Adults, 3, — Infants, 5), 8; Confirmed, 3; Marriages, 1; Burials, 1; Communicants, last — reported, 39, admitted 3, received, 5, removed, 1, present number recorded, 46, — actually communicating, 39; Public Services (Sundays, 46, Holy Days, 13, Other — Days, 15), 74; Holy Communion (public, 17, private, 3), 20; Sunday School, — teachers, 4, pupils, 25; Catechizing, number of children, 25, number of times, 10 —

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$17.64; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$702.87; Sunday School, \$40; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$50; Other Parochial Objects, \$41.66. Total, \$852.17.

Diocesan —Diocesan Missions, \$10.54; Diocesan Fund, \$3.75. Total, \$14.29.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$7.50; Foreign Missions, \$3.33. Total, \$10.83.

Total amount of Offerings, \$877.29.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,500; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000.

Condition of Property, fair.

Indebtedness.—On Rectory, \$1,000 in gold; on Church, \$166.25. Total, \$1,166.25.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$125.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250, all free.

*Remarks.*

Every thing here is very encouraging. The debt has been reduced by \$198, and the interest on the mortgage has been promptly met. The Rectory is rented, and the Church has been painted and will be put in thorough repair in the spring.

Services on Sundays, 3 P. M., except on third Sunday in each month. Holy Communion, third Sunday in each month, 11 A. M., weekly during Lent, on Holy Days, according to notice. Week day services, morning, afternoon or evening, the time depending very much upon local circumstances.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROUSE'S POINT.

Rector. The Rev. Irving McElroy, M. A.

Wardens. David White, John Phillips.

Vestrymen. George Standage, John Thompson, Henry Bissell, Thomas Crook.

Clerk. James Shaw, Jr.

*Parochial.*

Families, 90 ; Individuals (Adults, 250, Children, 95), 345 ; Baptisms, Infants, 2; Confirmed, 1 ; Marriages, 8 ; Burials, 7 ; Communicants, last reported, 123, admitted, 10, received, 9, died, 3, removed 10, present number recorded, 129, actually communicating, 100 ; Public Services (Sundays, 106, Holy Days, 17, Other Days, 39), 162 ; Holy Communion (public, 22, private, 2), 24 ; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 45 ; Catechizing, number of Children, 45, number of times, 52

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$23.41 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$303.41 ; Sunday School, \$79.14 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$50 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$38.80. Total, \$494.76.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$24.37 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$8.25 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$1. Total, \$33.62.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$10 ; Foreign Missions, \$10. Total, \$20.

Total amount of Offerings, \$548.38.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$1,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$500.

Condition of Property, fair.

Indebtedness.—Mortgage on Church, \$570 ; amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250 ; number rented, three-fourths ; number free, one-fourth.

*Remarks.*

Services, 11 A. M., 7 P. M., November to May ; 7:30 P. M., May to November ; Holy Communion, first Sunday in each month. Week day services, 7:30 P. M. ; my experience here being that the average attendance is far greater at night than in the morning.

My work this year has included visitations to the sick, services and funerals, at Chazy, Mooers, Altona, Chateaugay, Coopersville and other places.

TRINITY CHURCH, PLATTSBURGH.

Rector. The Rev. Henry Mason Smyth.

Assistant The Rev. John N. Marvin.

Wardens. Joseph R. Emerson, Peter S. Palmer.

Vestrymen. Bernard Young, Wm. S. Ketchum, Geo. F. Nichols, A. M. Warren, Wm. J. McCaffrey, J. M. Wever, C. Fred. Norton.

*Parochial.*

Families, 106 ; Individuals (Adults, 330, Children, 120), 450 ; Baptisms, Adults, 9, Infants, 11 ; Confirmed, 12 ; Marriages, 5 ; Burials, 9 ; Communicants, last reported, 250, admitted, 5, received, 3, died, 7, removed, 26, present number recorded, 223 ; Public Services (Sundays, morning and afternoon ; Holy Days, morning ; Other Days, Wednesdays, morning, Fridays, morning and afternoon) ;

Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 13), 31 ; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 75 ; Catechizing, number of times, weekly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$32.49 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,545.18 ; Sunday School, \$63.36 ; Care and Improvement of Church Property, \$177.35 ; Other Parochial Objects, Church debt, \$237 63 ; etc., \$37.18. Total, \$2,093.19.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$23.41 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$50 ; Diocesan Fund, \$30 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.56 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$10.02. Total, \$117.99.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$20.26 ; Foreign Missions, \$8.10 ; Society for the Promotion of Christianity among the Jews, \$3.61. Total, \$31.97.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,243.15.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$25,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000.

Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 500 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

The Rev. J. N. Marvin entered upon his labors as Assistant on the 13th of July. Since that time I have been able not only to continue regular services at St. John's Chapel, Salmon River, on Sunday afternoons, but also to enter upon a new and promising field of work at West Plattsburgh.

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ELLENBURGH.

Rector. The Rev. Silas M. Rogers, A. M. •

*Parochial.*

Families, 13 ; Individuals (Adults, 30, Children, 14), 44 ; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 4), 6 ; Marriages, 4 ; Burials, 1 ; Communicants, died, 1, present number recorded, 25 ; Holy Communion, private, 1 ; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 31.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$3.89 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$10.12 ; Other purposes, \$15.99.

Total amount of Offerings, \$30.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$1,700.

Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

The present incumbent entered upon the duties of this Parish June 7, 1879. Divine Service is held in this Church twice each Sunday, and once on other Holy Days.

**Columbia County.****CHRIST CHURCH AND ALL SAINTS' CHAPEL, HUDSON.**

Rector. The Rev. Jno. C. Tebbetts.

Rector's Assistant. The Rev. W. M. Cook.

Wardens. Robert B. Monell, Wm. B. Skinner.

Vestrymen. H. J. Baringer, J. P. Wheeler, M. D., E. W. Kimball, L. J. Rossman, J. M. Punderson, E. J. Hamilton, J. M. Pearson, Chas. Alger.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 40), 41; Confirmed, 16; Marriages, 7; Burials, 19; Communicants, admitted, 16, received, 3, died, 4, removed, 8; Public Services (Sundays, all, Holy Days, all, Other Days, 70); Holy Communion (public, 34, private, 2), 36; Sunday School. teachers, 30, pupils, 301; Catechizing, number of children, 301, number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$99.40; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,772.02; Sunday School, \$162.82; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$578.42; Other Parochial Objects, \$96.23. Total, \$2,708.89.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, including Troy Convocation, \$46.99; Salary of the Bishop, \$60; Diocesan Fund, \$30; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$13.47; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$6.37; the Child's Hospital, \$15.39; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, St. John's Parsonage, \$6. Total, \$178.22.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$33.24; Foreign Missions, \$32.33; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, two children sent to Kansas, through Children's Aid Society of New York city, \$30; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$2. Total, \$97.57.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,984.68.

*Property.*

Church and Lot, Parsonage and Lot, and other Property (estimated worth), \$64,000.

Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200 and Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church and Chapel, 750; number free, 150.

*Remarks.*

The report herewith submitted dates from May 1, 1879, when I assumed charge, to January 1, 1880. For three years prior to the former date no report was rendered to the Convention. It is impossible to give at this time an accurate statement of the number of "Families," "Individuals," and "Communicants." The number "actually communicating" is about 150. The number confirmed in former years and now residing in the city will, it is believed, exceed 250.

All Saints' Chapel, which is a Mission of Christ Church, is in a prosperous condition. Its offerings for these eight months past have amounted to \$83.40. Two persons were confirmed at the visitation of the Bishop in June. Twenty-one infants have been baptized. There are 91 children in the Sunday School. Ser-

vices are held there on Tuesday evenings and on Sunday afternoons, besides the celebration of the Holy Communion on the fourth Sunday of the month.

There are signs of new life and of much promise in the Parish, and when we are once free from our financial embarrassments, which are not grievous, we shall be able to do more for the general work of the Church under the Diocesan and General Conventions.

#### TRINITY CHURCH, CLAVERACK.

The Rev. W. M. Cook, Priest in charge.

Wardens. Wm. H. Philip, Horatio G. Adams.

Vestrymen. James J. Studley, Cornelius Shaw, Charles Studley, Dudley Pierce.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 22; Individuals (Adults, 74, Children, 35), 109; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 8), 5; Burial, 1; Communicants, last reported, 36, admitted, 1, present number recorded, 37, actually communicating, 30; Public Services (Sundays, 24, Holy Days, 7, Other Days, 2), 33; Holy Communion (public, 19, private, 2), 21; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 41; Catechizing, number of children (average), 23, number of times, 6.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$23.59; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$111.17; for the Sunday School, \$9.25; by the Sunday School, \$15.75; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$25.10; Other Parochial Objects, \$34.96. Total, \$219.82.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$13.74; Salary of the Bishop, \$3; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$3. Total, \$19.74.

Total amount of Offerings, \$239.56.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000.

Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$150.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 156; number free, all.

#### *Remarks.*

The Parish was vacant, with the exception of a few weeks when the Rev. T. B. Fulcher had temporary charge from February 1st to August 17th.

#### ST. JOHN IN THE WILDERNESS. CHURCH, COPAKE IRON WORKS.

The Rev. Thomas B. Fulcher, Priest in charge.

Wardens. J. C. Chesbrough, Lem. Pomeroy.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 16; Individuals (Adults, 35, Children, 15), 50; Communicants, last reported, 12, admitted, 2, died, 1, present number recorded, 13, actually communicating, 10; Public Services, 6; Holy Communion, public, 6; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 40; Catechizing, number of times, 6.

*Property.*

Church and Lot, Parsonage and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000.

Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Priest in charge, \$100.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150.

Number free, 150.

*Remarks*

During the summer a Sunday School was established and carried on with good results. An attendance of forty pupils was secured, and much interest was manifested. It is hoped that before long some means may be devised of continuing the services and school throughout the year.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, KINDERHOOK.**

Rector. The Rev. Samuel Hanson Coxe, S. T. D.

Wardens. Henry S. Wynkoop, George H. Taylor.

Vestrymen. Francis Silvester, Isaac V. A. Snyder, Aaron J. Vanderpoel, Edward P. Van Alstyne, Augustus W. Wynkoop, Elbridge G. Howard, C. H. Housman, George H. Howard.

*Parochial.*

Families, 47 ; Individuals (Adults, 115, Children, 76), 191 ; Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 5), 10, Confirmed, 6 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 4 ; Communicants, 76 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Other Days, 70), 174 ; Holy Communion, public, 13 ; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 70 ; Catechizing, monthly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,506.22.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$196.89 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$26 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$32.81 ; the Child's Hospital, \$8.50 ; other Offerings for objects within the Diocese, \$25. Total, \$288.70.

General.—Foreign Missions, \$20.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,814.92.

*Property.*

Church and Lot, Parsonage and Lot (estimated worth), \$8,000.

Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

The Industrial School for Girls, reported last year, is vigorously continued during the present winter.

**THE CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LEBANON SPRINGS, AND CHATHAM MISSION.**

Priest Missionary. The Rev. Joseph Hooper.

Wardens of Church of Our Saviour, Lebanon Spings. Silas G. Owen, Wm. H. Babcock.

Vestrymen. John G. Field, Esek Clark King, Hampton C. Bull, Francis Myers, Elam T. Tanner.

*Parochial.*

Families, 55 ; Individuals (Adults, 90, Children, 38), 128 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1,



Infants, 8); Confirmed, 5; Marriages, 1; Burials, 5; Communicants, last reported, 75, admitted, 2, received, 4, died, 3, removed, 2, present number recorded, 76, actually communicating, 58; Public Services (Sundays, 140, Holy Days, 18, Other Days, 60); Holy Communion (public, 27, private, 1), 28; Sunday School, children catechised in Church.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$401.29; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$75.\* Total, \$476.29.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$1; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.50. Total, \$8.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$484.79.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$100 and offertories.

Number of Sitzings in the Chapels at Lebanon Springs, 80; at Chatham, 70; all free.

*Remarks.*

Plans for the finishing of the Church building at Lebanon Springs have been adopted, and it is hoped that this summer will see the undertaking completed. Regular services are maintained at Lebanon Springs and Chatham Village alternately, and at other points in the Mission as occasion demands.

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST'S CHURCH, STOCKPORT.**

Rector. The Rev. George Fisher.

Assistants. The Rev. Wm. Benjamin Reynolds and the Rev. Wm. C. Maguire.

Wardens. Charles H. Stott, Thomas Harvey James.

Vestrymen. Frank H. Stott, John McGargle, Wm. F. Butler, Jr., James Hyde, Gordon B. Reynolds, Wm. H. Van de Carr, Frank M. Snyder, Frank C. Kittle.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 140; Individuals (Adults, 300, estimated, Children, 200), 500; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 53), 59; Confirmed, 23; Marriages, 5; Burials, 20; Communicants, last reported, 168, admitted, 19, received, 1, died, 5, removed, 7, present number recorded, 176, actually communicating, 158; Public Services (Sundays, Church, 98, Chapel, 90, 188; Holy Days, Church, 14, Chapel, 7, 21; Other Days, Church, 13, Chapel, 14, 27), 236; Holy Communion (public, Church, 21, Chapel, 16, 37; private, Church, 6, Chapel, 1, 7), 44; Sunday School, teachers, Church, 12, Chapel, 22, 34; pupils, Church, 115, Chapel, 205; Catechizing, in the Sunday School, number of times, Church, 30, Chapel, 27, 57; Parish School, teachers, 1, pupils, 16.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$21.76; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,681.03; Sunday School, not including Christmas trees, \$79.48. Total, \$2,782.27.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$172.32; Salary of the Bishop, \$50; Diocesan Fund, \$25; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$25; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$5; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$104.40; the Child's Hospital, \$44.66; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$20. Total, \$451.38.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$37.50; Foreign Missions, \$25; Indian Missions, \$30; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$15; Church in Mexico, \$20; Society

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\* Added to Building Fund.

for Promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$18.87 ; Bishop Whipple's Work, \$5 ; All Saints' Hall, in Africa, \$49.49. Total, \$200.36.

Total amount of Offerings, \$3,434.01.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,500 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$600 ; Other Property, \$2,500. Condition of Property, excellent.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300, Chapel, 200 ; all free,

*Remarks.*

This report includes the work at St. Barnabas' Chapel, Stottville. The Rev. Mr. Reynolds has, this year, as in the past, freely given his services, to the great relief of the Rector. The Rev. W. C. Maguire assisted in the Parish four months from June 12th.

The Church has been painted and varnished inside, and a valuable addition has been made to the Sunday School library at Stottville.

The Parish library of standard works for the use of the Rector now numbers sixty-three volumes, and forms a valuable nucleus for a larger growth in the future.

**Delaware County.****ST. PETER'S CHURCH, HOBART.**

Rector. The Rev. Reginald H. Barnes.

Wardens. Samuel H. Taylor, Hector Stuart.

Vestrymen. George Barlow, Alexander McDonald, Peter Kilpatrick, Charles S. Stuart, Alfius Rollins, Edmond B. Taylor, A. Haswell Grant.

*Parochial.*

Families, 70 ; Individuals (Adults, 230, Children, 92), 322 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 7), 8 ; Confirmed, 7 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 2 ; Communicants, last reported, 111, admitted, 8, received, 1, died, 2, removed, 5, present number recorded, 113 ; Public Services (Sundays, 90, Holy Days, 5, Other Days, 40), 135 ; Holy Communion, public, 15 ; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 85 ; Catechizing, number of children, about 50, number of times, twice a month.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$74.34 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$550 ; Sunday School, \$36.38 ; Christmas Festival, \$34.05. Total, \$694 77.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$13.68 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12 ; Diocesan Fund, \$6 ; the Child's Hospital, \$5.57. Total, \$37.25.

Total amount of Offerings, \$732.02.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,500 ; Other Property, \$500. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$600.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300 ; number rented, all the ground floor ; number free, the gallery.

*Remarks.*

The present Rector took charge on Advent Sunday, hence an imperfect report concerning Offerings. Fresh vigor and godly zeal seem to have inspired all hearts, and there is visible growth of the Church daily.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, DELHI.**

Rector. The Rev. Edwin B. Russell.

Lay Reader. Prof. S. E. Smith.

Wardens. John W. Woodruff, A. C. Edgerton.

Vestrymen. Green Moore, O. W. Smith, Frank L. Norton, J. H. McIntosh, John Calhoun, M. D., S. E. Smith, Elbridge T. Gerry.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 100 ; Individuals, 330 ; Baptisms (Adults, 9, Infants, 14), 23 ; Confirmed, 12 ; Marriages, 5 ; Burials, 9 ; Communicants, admitted, 12, received, 1, died, 2, removed, 3, present number recorded, 191 ; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 14, Other Days, 61), 179 ; Holy Communion (public, 30, private, 1), 31 ; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 65 ; Catechizing, number of children, 65 ; number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$7.57 (given otherwise to Missions) ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,605.86 ; Sunday School, \$54 (of which \$40, for Bishop Tuttle's School) ; Other Parochial Objects, Ladies' Society, \$122, Altar Society, \$25. Total, \$1,814.43.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$69.75 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$30 ; Diocesan Fund, \$26 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$7.68 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$8.53. Total, \$141.96.

General.—General Theological Seminary, \$10 ; Domestic Missions, \$8.77. Total, \$18.77.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,975.16.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$4,000. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness.—None.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church or Chapel, 76 pews.

*Remarks.*

The Parish was presented, at Christmas-tide, with a very handsome Alms Dish of gold, an offering from two summer parishioners.

An appropriate Memorial Window to the several Rectors of the Parish is now in contemplation.

**CHRIST CHURCH, WALTON.**

Rector. The Rev. Richard C. Searing (resigned December 1, 1879).

Present Rector. The Rev. Scott B. Rathbun.

Wardens. David H. Gay, George St. John.

**Vestrymen.** Edwin Guild, S. H. St. John, Frederick A. Brisack, Samuel B. Merwin, James D. Rogers, John S. Eells, George C. Seeley, Julius W. St. John.

*Parochial.*

Families, 70 ; Individuals (Adults, 176, Children, 85), 261 ; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants 2), 5 ; Confirmed, 2 ; Burials, 13 ; Communicants, last reported, 102, admitted, 2, received, 1, died, 1, removed, 2, present number recorded, 102 ; Public Services (Sundays, 97, Holy Days, 32, Other Days, 33), 162 ; Mission Services, 21 ; Mission Services at Deposit, 1 ; Holy Communion, public, 17 ; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 80 ; Catechizing, number of children, 60, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$22.39 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$700.34 ; Sunday School, \$48.87 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$32.75 ; Mission Services adjacent, \$16.50. Total, \$820.85.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$21 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$30 ; Diocesan Fund (1878, \$15, 1879, \$12.50), \$27.50 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4.77 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$3.68 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$3.68 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5.63 ; the Child's Hospital, \$5.63 ; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$2.45 ; Convocation of Susquehanna, \$2.80. Total, \$107.14.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$3 ; Foreign Missions, \$3 ; Indian Missions, 8 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$2.32 ; Mission at Northfield, N. J., \$5. Total, \$16.32.

Total amount of Offerings, \$944.81.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 225 ; number rented, 175 ; number free, 50.

*Remarks.*

The Rev. Mr. Searing terminated his Rectorship on December first. During the month of December the regular Sunday services were continued by the Senior Warden, as Lay Reader, and by the Rev. S. B. Rathbun, who officiated during Christmas-tide. Mr. Rathbun has since accepted a call to the Rectorship, and begins his ministrations on the first Sunday after the Epiphany.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, FRANKLIN.**

**Wardens.** Henry S. Edwards, Benjamin T. Cook.

**Vestrymen.** Samuel Lloyd, Andrew T. Treadwell, Alfred Rathbun, A. Cook Page, Milton Bostwick, John T. Waters, Alfred Barnes, E. P. Howe.

*Parochial.*

Families, 37 ; Individuals, Adults, 63.

We have had no regular services here in almost a year. Rev. Wm. Charles Grubbe left us last May, and we have had no Rector since.

Yours, respectfully,

E. P. HOWE,

*Sec. of Vestry, St. Paul's Church, Franklin, N. Y.*

**Essex County.****ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ESSEX.**

The Rev. Eugene L. Toy, Missionary.

Wardens. S. D. Derby, James B. Ross.

Vestrymen. E. D. Ferguson, M. D., A. J. Tucker, John Ross, A. J. B. Ross, R. Fortune, P. E. Havens, John Ferris, J. Ferguson.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 5), 9; Confirmed, 5; Marriages, 3; Burials, 3; Communicants, last reported, 81, admitted, 6, received, 2, died, 2, removed, 2, present number recorded, 85; Public Services (Sundays, 92, Holy Days, 17, Other Days, 79), 188; Holy Communion (public, 31, private, 3), 34; Sunday School, teachers, 2, pupils, 23.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$7.62; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$328.41; Sunday School, \$2.36. Total, \$338.39.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$30; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$7.50; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2. Total, \$51.50.

General.—Church Society, etc., among Jews, \$1.

Total amount of Offerings, \$390.89.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$1,000.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 100; all free.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, KEESEVILLE.**

Rector. The Rev. William L. Bull.

Wardens. Asa P. Hammond and Henry L. Coppins.

Vestrymen. Wm. B. Parkhill, Wm. F. Cottrill, Edward Dundas, Jr., Wm. T. Ames, Dr. Henry O. Tallmadge, Charles F. Tabor.

*Parochial.*

Families, 35; Individuals (Adults, 78, Children, 16), 94; Baptisms, Infants, 5; Marriages, 3; Burials, 6; Communicants, last reported, between 50 and 60, by the preceding Rector, died, 2, removed, 2, present number recorded, 54, actually communicating, 46; Public Services (Sundays, 76, Holy Days, 21, Other Days, 23), 120; Holy Communion (public, 12, private, 5), 17; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 34; Catechizing, Children's Church, 7 times.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$50.10; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$532; Sunday School, \$22; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$213; Children's Church Collections, \$2.33.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$4.01; Salary of the Bishop, \$10; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5.28.

General.— Foreign Missions, \$14.37 ; Sufferers from the Irish Famine, \$9.82.  
Total amount of Offerings, \$662.91.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$1,200 ; Other Property, Organ, \$200. Condition of Property, fair.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$600.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150 ; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

This report covers a space of *nine months*, from March 30th, when I assumed the Rectorship of this Parish, to December 31st.

I have also two Missions, where I hold service on the third and fourth Sundays of the month. They are at *Port Kent* and *Au Sable Chasm*. At the former place the congregation averages thirty-five, at the latter, seventy.

On December 9th and 10th I held, with the assistance of the Revs. Messrs. Woodbridge, Smyth and McElroy, a series of five "Mission" Services at St. Paul's, which were well attended.

WM. L. BULL, *Rector*.

## CHRIST CHURCH, PORT HENRY.

Rector. The Rev. Wm. R. Woodbridge.

Assistant. The Rev. Charles E. Cragg.

Wardens. Wm. M. J. Botham, George Hoy.

Vestrymen. Frank S. Atwell, Robert J. Wait, Theodore Tromblee, Jr., Thomas F. Witherbee, Clarence E. Wolcott.

*Parochial.*

Families, 35 ; Individuals (Adults, 102, Children, 103), 205 ; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 8), 12 ; Confirmed, 7 ; Marriages, 7 ; Burials, 8 ; Communicants, last reported, 71, admitted, 7, died, 1, removed, 4, present number recorded, 73 ; Public Services (Sundays, 103, Holy Days, 32, Other Days, 66), 201 ; Holy Communion, public, 14 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 65 ; Catechizing, number of children, 20, number of times, 5.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$519.40 ; Sunday School, \$6.64 ; Repairs of Church Property, \$29.80. Total, \$555.84.

Diocesan. — Diocesan Missions, \$27.12 ; do from Sunday School, \$6.11 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; Diocesan Fund, \$13 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$3.80 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$6.93 ; the Child's Hospital, \$3.85 ; Essex County Bible Society, \$10. Total, \$76.81.

General.— Domestic Missions, \$4.12 ; do from Sunday School, \$5.61 ; Foreign Missions, \$3.55 ; do from Sunday School, \$3.78 ; All Saints' Hall, Cape Palmas, \$3.20 ; Mexico Mission, from Sunday School, \$3.23. Total, \$23.49.

Total amount of Offerings, \$656.14.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth) \$5,000. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness.— For Current Expenses, \$208.

*Parochial Reports.*

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$520.

Amount of Salary pledged Assistant Minister, not any Salary.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175 ; number free, all.

**EMMANUEL MISSION, MINEVILLE.**

Missionary. The Rev. Wm. R. Woodbridge.

Assistant. The Rev. Charles E. Cragg.

Warden. Mr. James Wait.

Treasurer. Mr. George T. Treadway.

*Parochial.*

Families, 19 ; Individuals (Adults, 43, Children, 45), 88 ; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 4), 8 ; Confirmed, 6 ; Marriages, 2 ; Burials, 2 ; Communicants, last reported, 27, admitted, 6, died, 1, removed, 1, present number recorded, 31 ; Public Services (Sundays, 49, Holy Days, 7, Other Days, 13), 69 ; Holy Communion, public, 5 ; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 32.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$63.28.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$2.36.

Total amount of Offerings, \$65.64.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,000. Condition of Property, new and good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 120 ; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The offerings given are exclusive of all that was given toward the building of the new Church, which has been built and paid for since last July, by the help of many friends outside of the village. The congregation has increased considerably, and there is a prospect of steady growth in the future.

**THE CHURCH OF THE CROSS, TICONDEROGA.**

Rector. The Rev. Wm. H. Cook.

Wardens. H. C. Burnett, D. L. Bascom.

Vestrymen. Wm. G. Baldwin, Charles H. Baldwin, Alex. M. Pond, B. W. Burleigh, John C. Fenton, E. C. Bennett, L. Malcolm, Joseph Hanna.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 8), 9 ; Confirmed, 9 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 6 ; Communicants, last reported, 51, admitted, 8, died, 2, removed, 1, present number recorded, 56 ; Holy Communion, public, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$605.59 ; Sunday School, \$35.96. Total, \$641.55.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$3 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6. Total, \$9.

Total amount of Offerings, \$650.55.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,500. Condition of Property, very good.  
Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$400.  
Number of Sitzings in the Church, 177 ; number free, all.

**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, AU SABLE FORKS.**

Rector. The Rev. Charles A. Bragdon.  
Warden. James Rogers.  
Treasurer. H. D. Graves.  
Clerk. A. Bosley.

*Parochial.*

Families, 41 ; Individuals (Adults, 110, Children, 75), 185 ; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 19), 22 ; Confirmed, 4 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 6 ; Communicants, last reported, 55, admitted, 4, received, 1, removed, 1, present number recorded, 59, actually communicating, 38 ; Public Services (Sundays, 87, Holy Days, 28, Other Days, 15), 130 ; at Jay, Sundays, 10 ; at Palmer Hill (Sundays, 20, Week Days, 11), 31 ; Holy Communion (public, 15, private, 2), 17 ; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 49 ; Palmer Hill, teachers, 4, pupils, 25 ; Catechizing, number of children, 30 ; number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$783.50 ; Sunday School, \$7.31 ; Other Parochial Objects, by Sunday School, \$31.15. Total, \$821.96.

Diocesan. — Diocesan Missions, \$13 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$16 ; Emmanuel Church, Mineville, \$3.50. Total, \$32.50.

General. — Domestic Missions, \$4.50 ; Foreign Missions, \$5.50 ; Mission School, Africa, through Miss M. Scott, \$15.05. Total, \$25.05.

Total amount of Offerings, \$879.45.

*Property.*

Condition of Property, excellent.

Indebtedness.—None.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 225 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

Besides current expenses, the debt of last year has been canceled, and now the Church is free from debt.

The Missionary has held three services at Keene, at two of which he was assisted by Rev W. R. Woodbridge, Rector of Christ Church, Port Henry.

**ST. ANDREW'S MISSION, SCHROON LAKE.**

Missionary. The Rev. Aubrey F. Todrig.

*Parochial.*

Families, 32 ; Individuals (Adults, 60, Children, 80), 140 ; Baptisms (Adults, 20, Infants, 15), 35 ; Confirmed, 17 ; Burials, 5 ; Communicants, admitted, 12, present number recorded, 12, actually communicating, 12 ; Public Services (Sundays, 59, Holy Days, 16, Other Days, 18), 93 ; Holy Communion, public, 2 ; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 70 ; Catechizing, number of children, 70 ; number of times, 12.



*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$701.85; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,068.04; St. Andrew's Society for poor of Parish, \$25.84. Total, \$1,795.23.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$3.87.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,799.10.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$826.15; Other Property, \$267.23.

Amount of Salary pledged Missionary, \$400.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; number free, 200.

*Remarks.*

This being the first report of St. Andrew's, I have embodied in the above figures the amount expended in two years on improvements in Church property, furniture and running expenses.

I am indebted to Col. Clarke and family for much earnest labor and assistance in Parish work, and for the gifts to furnish the Christmas tree. Mr. F. F. Dickinson has given a very beautiful font to the Chapel.

The St. Andrew's Society has done a great deal in building up the Church in the hearts of the people here by their works of charity. Steps are being taken by the young men of the Church to open a reading room. An Altar Society has charge of the decorations.

Since Easter, 1879, I have kept an account of the attendance at all my Missions, and the average attendance of the congregation is interesting as showing the comparative strength of the stations:

Schroon.....	Greatest number,	190,	least number,	40,	average attendance,	96
Weavertown.....	do	109,	do	32,	do	61
Chester.....	do	43,	do	17,	do	28
Pottersville.....	do	46,	do	16,	do	28

I have held services in the school-house in Weavertown on Wednesday evening, every other week, from March 13th to July 1st, in all nine times, with an average attendance of sixty-one, which, for a week day service, was quite large. Baptized two adults in this place.

Having no available means of transportation, and no Missionary Stipend except one special of \$25, which I used for this purpose, I was reluctantly compelled to discontinue the service.

## CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, BLOOMINGDALE.

Missionary in charge. The Rev. Charles S. Knapp.

Warden. James Pierce.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 50, Children, 25), 75; Public Services, Sundays, 15.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$14; Other Parochial Objects, \$15.

Total amount of Offerings, \$29.

**Franklin County.**

**ST. MARK'S CHURCH, MALONE.**

Rector. The Rev. John B. Pitman.

Wardens. William Andrus, Horace A. Taylor.

Vestrymen. F. T. Heath, J. J. Seaver, M. S. Mallon, S. S. Willard, David Webster, James E. Barry, R. S. Brown.

*Parochial.*

Families, 85; Individuals (Adults, 300, Children, 115), 415; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 9), 20; Confirmed, 14; Marriages, 8; Burials, 9; Communicants. last reported, 137, admitted, 14, died, 4, removed, 4, present number recorded, 148, actually communicating, 102; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 5, Other Days, 32), 141; Holy Communion (public, 16, private, 6), 22; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 65; Catechizing, number of children, 45, number of times, 6.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.72; Current Expenses, including salaries, \$1,322.93; Sunday School, \$31.61; Charity, \$29.30; Ladies' Parish Aid Society, Communion Service and Organ, \$300. Total, \$1,704.56.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$60.75; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Diocesan Fund, \$21; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$10; the Child's Hospital, \$10; Rev. W. H. Cook, Missionary, \$26. Total, \$157.75.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$5; African Mission, \$14.75; Feeble Churches, \$6. Total, \$25.75.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,888.06.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000; Other Property, \$4,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 800; number free, all.

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BRUSHTON.**

Rector. The Rev. Norman H. Burnham, B. A.

Wardens. C. Jameson, J. C. Farnsworth.

Vestrymen. H. Corbin Brush, George Earle, David Smith, Robert Dunlop, C. I. Jameson, Wm. S. Barnum, O. H. P. Fancher.

*Parochial.*

Families, 22; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 7), 8; Confirmed, 2; Marriages, 4; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 44, present number recorded, 37, actually communicating, 37; Public Services (Sundays, 29, Holy Days, 18, Other Days, 8), 65; Holy Communion (public, 16, private, 1), 17; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 15; Catechizing, number of times, 3.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$36.77; Current Expenses, including salaries, \$223.77. Total, \$260.54.

*Parochial Reports.*

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$12.47; Salary of the Bishop, \$8. Total, \$20.47.  
 General.—Foreign Missions, \$6.25.  
 Total amount of Offerings, \$287.26.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000 Condition of Property, good.  
 Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.  
 Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The "report" is somewhat imperfect, owing to the recent arrival of the Rector; and also that in some cases the material upon which to base a correct "report" was wanting.

Financially, we shall do well if able to meet the "current" expenses of the Parish for the coming year. Since writing the above a few additional statistics have been kindly furnished by my friend Rev. Mr. Cook, the former Rector of the Parish. A public service was held by him *once* at Dickinson Center, making in all 34 public services in the Parish during the year.

**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, HOGANSBURGH.**

Rector. The Rev. Joshua N. T. Goss.  
 Lay Reader. Gurdon S. Mills.  
 Warden. Alfred Fulton.  
 Clerk and Treasurer. Gurdon S. Mills.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, Infants, 2; Communicants, last reported, 83, removed, 4, present number recorded, 29; Public Services, Sundays, once every Lord's Day, Holy Days, occasionally; Holy Communion, public, Second Sunday in month, Advent and Lent, every morning service; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils 13.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$259.51; Sunday School \$11.94; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$12.48; Christmas gift to Rector, \$17. Total, \$300.93.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$30; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$13.75; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$3.64. Total, \$53.39.  
 Total amount of Offerings, \$354.32.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,000; Other Property, \$150. Condition of Property, good.  
 Indebtedness.—Same as last reported.  
 Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$250.  
 Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150; number free, all.

**THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN IN THE WILDERNESS, ST. REGIS LAKE.**

Rector. The Rev. Charles S. Knapp.  
 Warden. Dr. E. L. Trudeau.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 35, Children, 40), 75; Baptisms, Infants, 1; Confirmed, 6; Communicants, admitted, 6, present number recorded, 10; Public Services, Sundays, 23; Holy Communion, public, 5; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 40; Catechizing, number of times, monthly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$151.41; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$430; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$121; new Organ and books, \$250. Total, \$952.41.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$15.58; Salary of the Bishop, \$4; Diocesan Fund, \$7.50. Total, \$27.08.

Total amount of Offerings, \$979.49.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,550. Condition of Property, excellent.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 124; number free, all.

THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, THE BELOVED PHYSICIAN, SARANAC LAKE.

Rector. The Rev. Charles S. Knapp.

Warden. Dr. E. L. Trudeau.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 75, Children, 60), 135; Baptisms (Adults, 10, Infants, 23), 33; Confirmed, 14; Communicants, admitted, 14, number recorded, 14; Public Services (Sundays, 46, Holy Days, 2), 48; Holy Communion, public, 12; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 54; Catechizing, number of times, monthly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$26.35; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$246.08; Sunday School, \$50. Total, \$322.43.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$32.41.

Total amount of Offerings, \$354.84.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,000. Condition of Property, in good order.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; all free.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, WEST BANGOR.

Rector. The Rev. N. H. Burnham, B. A.

Warden. Ira A. Darling, M. D.

*Parochial.*

Families, 13; Individuals (Adults, 59, Children, 40), 99; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 1), 5; Confirmed, 2; Communicants, last reported, 26, admitted, 2, received, 1, removed, 2, present number recorded, 38, actually communicating, 30; Public Services (Sundays, 30, Holy Days, 2, Other Days, 8), 40; Holy Communion (public, 10, private, 1), 11; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 44; Catechizing, number of children, 44; number of times, 7.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$17.28 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$105 ; Sunday School, \$25 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$192. Total, \$339.28.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$4.84.

Total amount of Offerings, \$344.12.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,200. Condition of Property, good. Indebtedness, \$10.25.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$75.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200 ; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The amount of indebtedness above given should be divided as follows : Indebtedness on Church property, about \$925 ; unpaid interest on debt, about \$100.

About a dozen services have been held while the Parish was without a Rector, by a clergyman from Lawrenceville, N. Y., who kindly consented to officiate.

**Fulton County.****ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, JOHNSTOWN.**

Rector. The Rev Charles C. Edmunds.

Wardens. E. W. Prindle and A. S. Van Voast.

Vestrymen. John M. Carroll, Jas. M. Dudley, Wm. J. Pyne, Charles Prindle, Jonathan Ricketts, Thos. Ricketts, Josiah Tanney, Jas. I. Younglove.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 11), 12 ; Confirmed, 13 ; Marriages, 3 ; Burials, 7 ; Communicants, last reported, 130, admitted, 13, received, 2, present number recorded, 145 ; Public Services (Sundays, 102, Holy Days, 25, Other Days, 54), 181 ; Holy Communion (public, 20, private, 10), 30 ; Sunday School, teachers, 17, pupils, 100 ; Catechizing, frequent.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$71.15 ; Sunday School, \$48.78. Total, \$119.93.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$79.93 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$40 ; Diocesan Fund, \$27.50 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10.69 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$18.89. Total, \$177.01.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$5.50 ; Foreign Missions, \$5 ; Theological Seminary at Nashotah, \$30 ; Good Friday Offering for Conversion of Jews, \$2 ; by Sunday School, to St. Mark's School, Salt Lake City, \$40. Total, \$82.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$379.44.

*Remarks.*

Of the amount given for Diocesan Missions, \$58.64 were contributed by the congregation in time of public worship, at five different collections. The balance, \$21.29, was given privately by several individuals.

Of the amount given to Nashotah Theological Seminary, \$12.62 was given by the congregation at an offertory in time of public worship, and the balance, \$17.38, was given by private contribution.

A variety of sacred objects have received attention by means of the Communion alms, the objects not being here reported.

Of the Sunday School expenses reported, \$20 were given by the congregation at various collections, and \$28.78 by collections in Sunday School.

CHARLES C. EDMUNDS.

## **Greene County.**

### **TRINITY CHURCH, ATHENS.**

Rector. The Rev. James Wilkins Stewart.

Wardens. Nathan Clark, Samuel H. Nichols.

Vestrymen. George S. Nichols, Wm. Van Loan, Elbridge D. Nichols, Nathan Clark, Jr., Henry O. Nichols, Henry C. Fuller, Hobart D. Pennoyer.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 72; Individuals (Adults, 234, Children, 78), 312; Baptisms, Infants, 5; Confirmed, 3; Marriages, 2; Burials, 7; Communicants, last reported, 85 admitted, 3, received, 3, died, 3, present number recorded, 88, actually communicating, 82; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 26, Other Days, 53), 183; Holy Communion, public, 15; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 41; Catechizing, number of children, 41; number of times, each Sunday.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$23.91; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$890; Sunday School, \$47.10; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$112.65. Total, \$1,073.66.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$18.88; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Diocesan Fund, \$15; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$3; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$3.88; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, Easter offering of Sunday School, \$9.17; the Child's Hospital, \$9.17. Total, \$79.10.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$6.32.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,159.08.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000; Other Property, \$5,000. Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 350; free.

### **CALVARY CHURCH, CAIRO.**

Rector. The Rev. William Charles Grubbe.

Wardens. Henry E. Hotchkiss, Lucius Byington.

Vestrymen. John L. Van Hoesen, Selden H. Hine, John C. Lennon, George H. Noble, M. D., Harlow Hine, George Wickes, Samuel Mallory, Edwin E. Darby.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 31; Individuals (Adults, 89, Children, 25), 114; Baptisms, Infants,

8; Confirmed, 7; Marriages, 2; Burials, 7; Communicants, last reported, 50, admitted, 7, received, 6, died, 3, present number recorded, 60, actually communicating, 55; Public Services (Sundays, 59, Holy Days, 5, Other Days, 43), 106; Holy Communion (public, 22, private, 1), 23; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 19.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$25.73; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$269.03; Sunday School, \$6.40; \* Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$352.82; Christmas gift to the Rector, \$35. Total, \$678.98.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$13; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$5; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2. Total, \$26.

General.—Miss Scott, for Africa, \$2.17.

Total amount of Offerings, \$707.15.

**GLORIA DEI MISSION, PALENVILLE.**

Priest in charge. The Rev. William Charles Grubbe.

Warden. Charles H. Chubb, M. D.

*Parochial.*

Families, 8; Individuals (Adults, 16, Children, 8), 24; Baptisms, Children, 5; Confirmed, 5; Communicants, 12; Public Services, once each Sunday and on Christmas eve; Holy Communion, public, once each month, private, once.

*Offerings.*

Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$247.51; received during the years 1878 and 1879, toward Building Fund, \$1,786.47; expended, \$1,623.63; on hand, \$112.85.

*Remarks.*

Besides the above, valuable contributions in aid of the same have been received of materials and labor.

We sincerely regret to have to report the resignation of our treasurer, Mr. E. T. Mason.

During the summer months the Mission was in charge of the Rev. Jos. H. Young, now of the Diocese of New Jersey. See report of baptisms and confirmations in his report to me.

**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CATSKILL.**

Rector. The Rev. Robert Weeks.

Wardens. Charles S. Willard, Charles Trowbridge.

Vestrymen. Charles B. Pinckney, William L. Du Bois, Manly B. Mattice, Theodore A. Cole, Charles E. Willard, George W. Halcott, Oliver Bourke, John H. Bagley, Jr.

*Parochial.*

Families, 168; Individuals (Adults, 456, Children, 188), 644; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 22), 24; Confirmed, 6; Marriages, 4; Burials, 22; Churchings, 2; Communicants, last reported, 244, admitted, 6, received, 1, died, 3, present number recorded, 247, actually communicating, 189; Public Services, Sundays, Holy

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\* The amount credited to this item was the sum, principal and interest, of a mortgage on factory and lot, which was paid by Mr. George Wlokes, as his Easter gift to the

Days and Other Days, Wednesdays and Fridays, 354; Holy Communion (public, 51, private, 8), 59; Sunday School, teachers and officers, 24, pupils, 146; Catechizing, number of children, 146; number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, early celebrations, \$49; Pew Rents, \$1,307.94; by Offertory, for current expenses, \$829.59; for the Sunday School Christmas festivities, \$85; by Sunday School, ordinary Offerings, \$32; Sewing Society, \$274.24; Parish Library, \$1.49. Total, \$2,579.26.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$95.86; Salary of the Bishop, included in Current Expenses, \$30; Diocesan Fund, included in Current Expenses, \$30; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$17.24; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$26.55. Total, \$199.65.

General.—Domestic Missions, including Indian and Colored Missions, \$32.50; Foreign Missions, \$32.50; Jewish Mission, New York, \$7.44; Miss Scott, for Africa, \$4.34; Easter Offering of Children to St. Mark's School, Salt Lake City, \$48; by Sunday School, for Domestic Missions, \$12. Total, \$136.78.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,915.69.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$8,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,500; Other Property, Lot for new Church, \$1,500. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness.—Lot, etc., \$1,230.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 375; rented.

*Remarks.*

At Palenville the work on Gloria Dei Church has been stopped for want of funds. It has, however, made good progress since the laying of the corner stone, July 30, 1879. The Rev. Mr. Young held service there during the summer, since which time the work has been placed under the charge of the Rev. W. C. Grubbe, of Cairo.

At Tannersville services were held by the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie and others. A fund is here also being raised to build a Chapel of our own, services having hitherto been held in the Union Meeting-house.

At Leeds, Messrs. Alex. T. Stewart & Co., of New York, propose to give St. Luke's Mission a lot for a Church.

I give the Statistics only of Catskill and Leeds.

**CHRIST CHURCH, GREENEVILLE.**

Missionary in charge. The Rev. Hobart C. Brayton.

Wardens. Egbert N. Palmer and Theodore L. Prevost.

Vestrymen. George W. Robbins, James Ponsonby, Elijah Roe, Saml. George, Byron Waldron, Thomas J. Rundle, Winfield S. Rundle, Matthew Blenis.

*Parochial.*

Families, 11; Individuals (Adults, 40, Children, 6), 46; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 35, died, 1, removed, 2, present number recorded, 32, actually communicating, 22; Public Services (during October, November and December, 1879, Sundays, 13, Holy Days, 1), 14; Holy Communion, public, 2.



*Offerings.*

Parochial (three months).— Alms at Holy Communion, \$1.27 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$45. Total, \$46.27.

Diocesan (one year).— Diocesan Missions, \$2.65 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6. Total, \$8.65.

Total amount of Offerings, \$54.92.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,000 ; Other Property, Organ and Font, \$500. Condition of Property, good.

Sittings in the Church, all free.

*Remarks.*

The Missionary has been in charge from October 1st, 1879.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, OAK HILL.

Missionary in charge. The Rev. Hobart C. Brayton.

Wardens. John H. Cheritree and James Terbush.

Vestrymen. Walter S. Cheritree, Henry O. Graham, M. Gallatian, N. C. Whitcomb, Frank Baldwin, Wm. F. DeWitt, John Compton, James Rider.

*Parochial.*

Families, 13 ; Individuals (Adults, 40, Children, 12), 52 ; Baptisms, Infants, 4 ; confirmed, 4 ; Communicants, last reported, 34, admitted, 4, removed, in 1879, 2, removed, previous to 1879, but not so accounted, 5, present number recorded, 31 ; Public Services (during October, November and December, 1879, Sundays, 13, Holy Days, 1, Other Days, 1), 15 ; Holy Communion, public, 2 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 25.

*Offerings.*

Parochial (in October, November and December, 1879).— Alms at Holy Communion (two celebrations), \$2.90 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$82.27. Total, \$85.17.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,500 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,500. Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sittings in the Church, 200 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

Your Missionary has been in charge from October 1, 1879.

## TRINITY CHURCH, ASHLAND.

Rector. The Rev. H. C. Hutchings.

Wardens. Willis Chatfield, Darius B. Prout.

Vestrymen. Newell C. Snow, Addison Steele, Austin Munson, George Smith, Merritt McLean, Friend Holcomb, M. D., Lucius Graham, Revilo Cobb.

*Parochial.*

Families, 24 ; Individuals (Adults, 62, Children, 51), 113 ; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 1), 4 ; Confirmed, 3 ; Marriages, 3 ; Burials, 4 ; Communicants, last reported, 44, admitted, 3, received, 1, removed, 1, present number recorded, 47,

actually communicating, 43 ; Public Services (Sundays, 52, Holy Days, 5, Other Days, 6), 63 ; Holy Communion (public, 13, private, 1), 14 ; Sunday School, teacher, the Rector, pupils, 30 ; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$345 ; [Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$85. Total, \$430.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$20 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; Diocesan Fund, \$7 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$5 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.50 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$2.50 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5 ; the Child's Hospital, \$2. Total, \$50.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$5 ; All Saints' Hall, Liberia, Africa, \$5.33. Total, \$10.33.

Total amount of Offerings, \$490.33.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,500. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

The Parish has had occasion to be grateful to Col. C. H. Lewis, of Boston, who has presented to it, through the Rector, three handsome polished brass Coronae, from the firm of Cox & Sons, and which were placed within the Church just before Christmas.

It has also had presented to it a handsome Altar Cross of polished brass, as a memorial, from two of his sons, to Henry H. Prout, Priest, a former Rector of this Parish, which is also his birthplace.

It also gratefully acknowledges the gift of a Bible for the Lectern, and a Prayer Book for the Altar, from the Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany.

In addition to my services in Ashland, I have officiated on thirty-nine Sunday afternoons at Hensonville, which forms a part of the Parish, but is distant some six miles from the Parish Church. The offering from this place is included in that reported of Trinity Church. One of my baptisms was from here, also one of my candidates for confirmation.

I have officiated thirteen times on Sunday at Grace Church, Prattsville, and administered the Holy Communion three times. The Church is only kept open during the summer time, when there is a fair congregation, made up almost entirely of boarders. Number of Communicants, 6 ; amount of Offerings, \$45.40, given as Salary to the Rector.

## **Herkimer County.**

### **CHRIST CHURCH, HERKIMER.**

Rector. The Rev. Wm. Bogert Walker.

Lay Reader. J. D. Henderson.

Wardens. G. W. Pine, Robert Earl.

Vestrymen. Samuel Earl, C. W. Palmer, E. A. Brown, J. D. Henderson, H. G. Munger, G. H. Kelsey, H. P. Witherstine, C. E. Bull.

*Parochial.*

Families, 120; Individuals (Adults, 309, Children, 174), 483; Baptisms (Adults, 16, Infants, 32), 48; Confirmed, 19; Marriages, 8; Burials, 10; Communicants, last reported, 109, admitted, 19, received, 8, died, 4, removed, 4, present number recorded, 128, actually communicating, 122; Public Services (Sundays, 233, Holy Days, 55, Other Days, 114), 403; Holy Communion (public, 65, private, 5), 70; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 119; Catechizing, number of children, 100, number of times, 36.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$849.89; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$383.73; Sunday School, \$60.60; Guild, \$18.34; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$300 (included in other items); Parish Society, \$504.60; Gifts to Rector, \$145.25; Gifts from Mohawk, \$94.70. Total, \$2,056.61.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$52.01; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$12; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$9.22; the Child's Hospital, \$1.19; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$8.42. Total, \$91.84.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$3.18; Foreign Missions, \$2; Indian Missions, \$1.57; Mission to Jews, \$1.50. Total, \$8.25.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,156.70.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,500; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,000; Other Property, \$1,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$900, an annual gift and Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; all free.

*Remarks.*

By the efforts of the Parish Society the former school-rooms have been converted into a comfortable Chapel, and a stone walk has been laid in front of the Church property. A barn has also been added by members of the vestry.

Divine services are held on Sunday—Holy Communion, 10 A. M., Morning Prayer and Litany, 10:45 A. M., first Sunday of month also Holy Communion, Evening Prayer, 7 or 7:30 P. M.; Holy Days, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, 10 A. M., Evening Prayer, 4 P. M.; Week Days, every Friday, 7 or 7:30 P. M.; Lent and Advent, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 7 P. M.; Ember and Rogation Days, 10 A. M., 4 P. M.

Services are held at Mohawk in a hall every Sunday afternoon, and cottage services on Tuesday evenings.

\*Families, 37; \*Individuals (Adults, 95, Children, 41), 136; Confirmed, 7; Baptized (Adults, 5, Children, 8), 13; Buried, 2; Communicants, 32; Services, 110; \*Sunday School, teachers, 8, children, 50.

\*Offerings.—Current Expenses, \$95.89; Sunday School, \$38.35; Gift to Rector, \$94.70. Total, \$228.94.

## ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH, ILION.

Missionary. The Rev. Edwin Ruthven Armstrong.

Wardens. Floyd C. Shepard, Richard Winegar.

Vestrymen. Asa S. Anable, F. A. W. Armstrong, F. J. Behan, A. W. Haslehurst, W. K. Jenne, J. L. Osgood, George Rix, and Alfred Williamson.

*Parochial.*

Families, 103 ; Individuals (Adults, 217, Children, 134), 351 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 53), 54 ; Confirmed, 8 ; Burials, 9 ; Communicants, last reported, 98, admitted, 8, died, 1, removed, 11, present number recorded, 94, actually communicating, 83 ; Public Services (Sundays, 62, Holy Days, 12, Other Days, 5), 79 ; Holy Communion (Public, 6, Private, 1) 7 ; Sunday School, teachers, 13, pupils, 127 ; Catechizing, average number of children since June 1st, 68, number of times, 30.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$23.38 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,017.49 (through Alms, \$337.49) ; Sunday School (Jan. 1st to June 1st, \$6.31, June 1st to Dec. 31st, \$26.17), \$32.48 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, about \$95.00 ; Christmas Tree for Sunday School, about \$60. Total, \$1,228.35.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$9.28 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$10 ; Diocesan Fund, \$10 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$3.64 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$2.42 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$4.15 ; from Sunday School, \$1.85 ; The Child's Hospital, \$4.51 ; from Sunday School, \$3.18. Total, \$49.03.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,277.38.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,000.

Indebtedness.—Mortgages, etc., and interest, on Church and Parsonage, \$5,528.78.

Amount of Salary pledged Missionary, \$400.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 145 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

In addition to the services reported above, as held, there have been Cottage services weekly at West Ilion, or "Shulltown," with results of a highly encouraging nature ; these were begun in August last.

Then again during the fall, as long as the weather would permit traveling, there were week-night services from house to house on the hills south, near "Harrington's Corners." They were, however, interrupted by the approach of winter.

The Guild of St. Mary—composed of young ladies of the Parish, and organized some years ago—continues faithful in its labors of love in behalf of the difficulties with which the Church in Ilion is overwhelmed. It is hoped it may be the means of accomplishing even greater things than in the past. Its praiseworthy efforts deserve to be mentioned.

The present incumbent entered upon his duties on June the 9th. Some items in above report are from that date, previous to which there had been a vacancy of some seven or eight weeks.

Owing to an omission, the indebtedness reported to the last Convention was stated less than the fact. It has been reduced the past year some \$200, instead of as seemingly increased.

This Parish is deeply indebted to the Rector of Christ Church, Herkimer, who is ever ready and willing to extend to it his ministrations as a Priest. He has celebrated Holy Communion five times at the Parish church, and once in private.

**EMMANUEL CHURCH, LITTLE FALLS.**

Rector. The Rev. Albert Danker.

Wardens. Wm. T. Wheeler, R. S. Whitman.

Vestrymen. G. A. Hardin, W. H. Weeks, E. B. Waite, J. W. Magill, A. G. Stoy, Wm. Beattie, A. M. Mills, James Feeter.

*Parochial.*

Families, 90; Individuals, 300; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 13), 13; Confirmed, 5; Marriages, 6; Burials, 14; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 156, admitted, 5, received, 3, died, 4, removed, 3, present number recorded, 159, actually communicating, about 100; Public Services, Sundays, twice, and lately three times; on all Holy Days, All Saints' Days, twice Wednesdays, and Fridays in Lent, and twice daily in Holy Week; Holy Communion, public, monthly; all Holy Days, Saints' Days, every Sunday in Advent and Lent; Private, 2; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 100; Catechizing, number of children, 100, number of times, 40.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$18.53; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,053.52; Sunday School, \$39.96; Ladies' Parish Society, \$49.73; other Parochial objects (Church Decoration, from Entertainments), \$102.69; Christmas Tree, \$34. Total, \$1,290.43.

**Diocesan**—Diocesan Missions, \$20.40; Salary of the Bishop, \$23.51; Diocesan Fund, \$14.79; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$3.24; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$6.45; Convocation Expenses, \$6.00. Total, \$73.39.

**General.**—Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$7.41. Total, \$7.41.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,370.23.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$20,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$6,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sittings in the Church, 450; part rented, and part free.

*Remarks.*

The "Cottage Lecture and Bible Class" is regularly maintained, weekly, among the factory operatives; and the "Girls' Sewing School," at the Church, on Saturdays, from Advent to Easter. I have also organized two Guilds; one of "Earnest Workers," composed of the young people of the Parish; the other, "Guild of the Holy Child, Jesus," children from the Sunday School.

Services have been held, also, across the Mohawk river, in Danube, at the district school-house, Sundays, at 4 P. M.

We trust that, by God's help, we are growing in spiritual strength, individually and parochially.

**TRINITY CHURCH, FAIRFIELD.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Lewis F. Morris.

**Wardens.** Reuben Neeley and Jairus Mather.

**Vestrymen.** William Mather, M. D., James Seamen, C. V. Parsell, A. C. Wilson, Edward Willard, John Todd, Frank Ford, C. C. Carpenter.

*Parochial.*

Families, 17; Individuals (Adults, 50, Children, 17), 67; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 1), 2; Confirmed, 2; Marriages, 1. Communicants, last reported, 17, admitted, 3, present number recorded, 19, actually communicating, 17; Public Services (Sundays, 46, Holy Days, 1, Other Days, 9), 56; Holy Communion, public, 11; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 24.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial**—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$195.44; Sunday School, \$32.58; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$19.98; Christmas Gift to Rector, \$10.50. Total, \$258.50.

**Diocesan**.—Diocesan Missions, \$2.25; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$3.75. Total, \$18.

Total amount of Offerings, \$276.50.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,500; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,500; Other Property (note), \$150. Condition of Property, pretty good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$150.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175; all free.

**MEMORIAL CHURCH, MIDDLEVILLE.**

**Missionary.** The Rev. Lewis F. Morris.

*Parochial.*

Families, 6; Individuals (Adults, 19, Children, 5), 24; Baptisms, Infants, 1; Confirmed, 1; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 9, admitted, 1, received, 3, present number recorded, 13, actually communicating, 11; Public Services, Sundays, 45; Holy Communion, public, 4.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial**.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$42.91; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$7.79; Gifts to Missionary, \$85. Total, \$135.70.

**Diocesan**.—Diocesan Missions, \$5.

Total amount of Offerings, \$140.70.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$9,000. Condition of Property, very good.

Indebtedness.—Mortgage on Church, about \$5,500.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; all free.

**GRACE CHURCH, NORWAY.**

**Missionary.** The Rev. Lewis F. Morris.

*Parochial.*

Families, 11; Individuals (Adults, 25, Children, 5), 30; Confirmed, 1; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 17, admitted, 1, died, 1, removed, 2, present number recorded, 15, actually communicating, 14; Public Services (Sundays, 35, Holy Days, 1), 36; Holy Communion, public, 9.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial**.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$128.59.

**Diocesan**.—Diocesan Missions, \$2.25; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$2.63. Total, \$10.88.

Total amount of Offerings, \$139.47.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$1,000. Condition of Property, pretty good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$100.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300 ; all free.

**Montgomery County.****ST. ANN'S CHURCH, AMSTERDAM.**

Rector. The Rev. William N. Irish.

Wardens. W. Max Reid, John J. Hand.

Vestrymen. Cyrus B. Chase, John K. Warnick, Le Grand S. Strang, James T. Sugden, George S. Devendorf, Wm. Ryland, E. H. Finlayson, J. Melville Thomas.

*Parochial.*

Families, 121 ; Individuals (Adults, 286, Children, 144), 430 ; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 22), 28 ; Confirmed, 20 ; Marriages, 10 ; Burials, 19 ; Churchings, 1 ; Communicants, last reported, 128, admitted, 27, received, 16, died, 4, removed, 9, present number recorded, 158, actually communicating during the year, 144 ; Public Services (Sundays, 96, Holy Days, 10, Other Days, 15), 121 ; Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 5), 23 ; Sunday School, teachers, 14 ; pupils, 128 ; Catechizing, number of children, 64, number of times, weekly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$34.86 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,699.42 ; (Sunday School, \$48.13, Christmas Tree, \$47.00), \$95.13. Total, \$1,829.41.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$4.62 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6.55 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$10.77 ; The Child's Hospital (from Sunday School, \$16.02, from Church, \$3.40), \$19.42. Total, \$41.36.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$5.00 ; Foreign Missions, \$5.83 ; Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$4.00. Total, \$14.83.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,885.60.

Indebtedness, about \$4,289.23.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250 ; all free.

**ZION CHURCH, IN THE VILLAGE OF FONDA.**

Missionary. The Rev. Charles H. Van Dyne.

Wardens. R. H. Cushney, Henry T. E. Brower.

Vestrymen. Samuel Cross, H. B. Cushney, Giles H. F. Van Horne, Edward B. Cushney, William Fonda, James Adcock, G. R. Casler, R. N. Casler.

*Parochial.*

Families, 24 ; Individuals (Adults, 72, Children, 15), 87 ; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 17), 21 ; Confirmed, 5 ; Marriages, 2 ; Burials, 3 ; Communicants, last reported, 40, admitted, 3, removed, 3, present number recorded, 40, actually communicating, 40 ; Public Services (Sundays, 76, Holy Days and Other Days, 18), 94 ; Holy Communion, public, 11 ; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 64 ; Catechizing, number of times, 5.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$40.55 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$385.55 ; Sunday School, \$14.40. Total, \$440.50.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$40 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12 ; Diocesan Fund, \$7.50 ; Child's Hospital, \$5.00. Total, \$64.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$505.00.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$8,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

**Canajoharie.**—Sunday Evening Services, 23 ; Holy Communion administered, 4 times ; Baptisms, Infants, 13 ; Confirmed, 2.

**Fort Plain.**—Sunday Evening Services, 23 ; Communion administered, 7 times ; Confirmed, 1.

**Otsego County.****CHRIST CHURCH, BUTTERNUTS.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Hobart Cooke.

**Assistant.** The Rev. Ernest A. Hartman, Minister in charge.

**Warden.** J. Russell Blackman.

**Vestrymen.** Ira L. Ward, W. R. Kinnie, W. F. Ward, C. V. Daniels, H. H. Wickes, John Mayne, J. R. Woodland, R. G. McCulloch.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 2), 5 ; Confirmed, 12 ; Burials, 6 ; Communicants, last reported, 35, died, 4, present number recorded, 69, actually communicating, 50 ; Public Services (Sundays, 51, Holy Days, 4, Other Days, 9), 64 ; Holy Communion, public, 19 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 40 ; Catechizing, number of children, 45.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$25.64 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries and Sunday School, \$312.63 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$125. Total, \$463.27.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$15 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$2.37. Total, \$29.37.

Total amount of Offerings, \$493.64.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200 ; all free.

**GRACE CHURCH, CHERRY VALLEY.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Reeve Hobbie.

**Wardens.** Henry Roseboom and Joseph Phelon.

**Vestrymen.** Chas. McLean (clerk), A. B. Cox, Almon Brown, A. L. Swan, Geo. Neal, George Merritt, Jr., M. D., W. A. Bronson and W. S. Gibbons.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 11), 12 ; Confirmed, 6 ; Burials, 8 ; Communicants, last reported, 118, admitted, 6, received, 1, died, 4, removed, 1, present number re-



corded, 120 ; Public Services, Sundays, twice, Holy Days, nearly all, Other Days, three times weekly in Lent ; Holy Communion, public, 24, private, 2 ; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 76.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$122.55 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$938.47 ; Sunday School, \$82.74 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$88 ; Charities, \$14 ; Incidental Expenses, \$81.28 ; Church Music, \$28.75 ; Payment on Indebtedness, \$42.50. Total, \$1,393.24.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$21.74 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$25 ; Diocesan Fund, \$20 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4.19 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$22.75 ; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$2.61 ; Convocation of the Susquehanna, \$5.50. Total, \$101.79.

**General.**—Indian Missions, \$25 ; Deaf Mute Mission, \$7.11 ; Nashotah Seminary, \$5. Total, \$37.11.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,537.14.

*Property.*

Church and Lot, Parsonage and Lot (estimated worth, insured for), \$5,000. Condition of Property, very good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 273 ; all free.

**CHRIST CHURCH, COOPERSTOWN.**

**Rector.** The Rev. W. W. Lord, D. D.

**Wardens.** Hezekiah Sturges, G. W. Ernst (not serving).

**Vestrymen.** D. A. Avery, W. F. Bassett, Edward Clark, H. M. Hooker, A. A. Jarvis, Fred. L. Palmer, John Worthington.

*Parochial.*

Families, 122 ; Individuals (Adults, 285, Children, including Orphans, 175), 460 ; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 4), 10 ; Confirmed, 12 ; Marriages, 5 ; Burials, 5 ; Communicants, last reported, 188, admitted, 12, received, 4, died, 2, removed, 4, present number recorded, 198, actually communicating, 198 ; Public Services, Sundays, all, Holy Days, all, Other Days, as appointed by Church and State ; Holy Communion, public, first Sunday in each month, Advent Sunday, Christmas, Easter, Octave of Ascension, Whit-Sunday, Trinity Sunday ; Sunday School, teachers, last reported, 14, pupils, last reported, 90 ; Catechizing, number of children last reported, 90, number of times, in Church, monthly, Sunday School, weekly.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$115.76 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$476.79 ; Sunday School, \$34.12, by Offertory ; otherwise contributed, \$225. Total, \$851.67.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$161.59 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$60 ; Diocesan Fund, Convention expenses, \$30 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$12.82 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$20 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$18.31. Total, \$302.72.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$13 ; Foreign Missions, \$63.18 ; Salt Lake City, Bishop Tuttle's Mission, by Sunday School, \$40, by box, \$200. Total, \$316.18.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,470.57.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), as by last report.

Amount of Salary paid Rector, \$12.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 420 ; number rented, 390 ; number free, 25.

*Remarks.*

The Church has suffered by loss of members and of pecuniary ability to the full extent of the difference in contributions between 1877 and 1880.

**ZION CHURCH, MORRIS.**

Rector. The Rev. Hobart Cooke.

Assistant. The Rev. Ernest A. Hartman.

Wardens. Nelson B. Pearsall, Isaac Mansfield.

Vestrymen. James E. Cooke, Treasurer and Clerk, James Rutherford Morris, Silas S. Matteson, George A. Yates, Charles J. Smith, G. Clayton Peck, George A. Yates, 2d, Henry C. Steele.

*Parochial.*

Families, 135 ; Baptisms, Infants, 8 ; Marriages, 5 ; Burials, 9 ; Communicants, last reported, 256, died, 4, removed, 2, present number recorded, 250 ; Public Services, Sundays, Holy Days, Other Days, 144 ; Holy Communion (public, 16, private, 3), 19 ; Sunday School, teachers, 19, pupils, 115 ; Catechizing, frequent addresses before the Sunday School on lesson for the day.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$72.75 ; Sunday School, \$12.62 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$45 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$70. Total, \$200.37.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$167.06 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$50 ; Diocesan Fund, \$25 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$12 ; the Child's Hospital, \$10 and box of useful articles. Total, \$264.06.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$30 (Bishop Tuttle's work).

Total amount of Offerings, \$494.43.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$20,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000 ; Other Property, \$10,650. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Amount of Salary pledged Assistant Minister, \$550.

Number of Sitzings, 500 in Church, 250 in Chapel ; all free.

**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ONEONTA.**

Wardens. John Cope, William Whyte.

Vestrymen. H. J. Cady, W. H. Hider, James Gardner, Thomas Brooks, D. H. Mead, H. G. Wood, C. S. Stephens.

*Parochial.*

Families, 84 ; Baptisms, Infants, 2 ; Burials, 2 ; Communicants, present number recorded, 61 ; Public Services, Sundays, 45 ; Holy Communion, public, 1.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$2.47 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$21.26 ; Sunday School, \$1. Total, \$24.73.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$6. Total, \$6.

Total amount of Offerings, \$30.73.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250.

*Remarks.*

Parish has been without a Rector from October, 1878. Efforts have been made with Otego to obtain one ; so far unsuccessful.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, PORTLANDVILLE.**

Rector. The Rev. Theodore A. Snyder.

Wardens. George A. Somers, Robert M. Townsend.

Vestrymen. Osbern Packer, Hiram C. Cline, Joseph M. Lowe, Irving Crandall, Merritt S. Squires.

*Parochial.*

Burials, 1 ; Communicants, last reported, 37, removed, 6, present number recorded, 31, actually communicating, 22 ; Public Services, Sundays, Clerical, 44, Lay all other Sundays ; Holy Days, 5 ; Holy Communion, public, 13.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$5.31 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$123.93. Total, \$129.24.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$7.21 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; Diocesan Fund, \$1 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$2.72. Total, \$16.93.

Total amount of Offerings, \$146.17.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175 ; all free.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EAST SPRINGFIELD.**

Rector. The Rev. E. Folsom Baker.

Wardens. James H. Cooke, Henry H. Davy.

Vestrymen. John Scollard, Sheldon A. Young, Albert Keene, Robert Walrath, Daniel Gilchrist.

*Parochial.*

Families, 16 ; Individuals (Adults, 44, Children, 29), 73 ; Baptisms, Infants, 4 ; Communicants, last reported, 21, present number recorded, 21, actually communicating, 18 ; Public Services (Sundays, 91, Holy Days, 18, Other Days, 32), 141 ; Holy Communion, public, 20.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$21.52 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$225 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$125. Total, \$371.52.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$20 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; Diocesan Fund, \$5. Total, \$31.00.

Total amount of Offerings, \$402.52.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000. Condition of Property, very good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 120 ; all free.

**ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, WESTFORD.**

**Missionary.** The Rev. T. A. Snyder.

**Warden.** Andrew Snyder.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 9, Children, 3), 12 ; Baptisms, Infants, 3 ; Burials, 1 ; Communicants, last reported, 8, removed, 2, present number recorded, 6 ; Public Services (Sundays, 24, Holy Days, 6, Other Days, 11), 41 ; Holy Communion, public, 10.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, RICHFIELD SPRINGS.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Charles C. Fiske.

**Wardens.** N. D. Jewell, M. D. V. Martin.

**Vestrymen.** W. B. Ward, J. S. Davenport, J. A. Storer, W. A. Smith, J. F. Getman, M. D. Jewell, Henry Greenman, Dr. W. B. Crain.

*Parochial.*

Families, 43 ; Individuals (Adults, 112, Children, 55), 167 , Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 3), 5 ; Confirmed, 8 ; Marriages, 2 ; Burials, 5 ; Communicants, last reported, 58, admitted, 8, received, 3, died, 1, removed, 10, present number recorded, 58 ; Public Services (Sundays, 72, Holy Days, 2, Other Days, 38) 112 ; Holy Communion, public, 18 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 30.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**— Alms at Holy Communion, \$17.80 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,001.37 ; Sunday School, \$55. Total, \$1,074.17.

**Diocesan.**— Diocesan Missions, \$16.20 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$28. Total, \$56.20.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,130.37.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$900.

Sittings in the Church, all free.

*Remarks.*

In September the old St. John's Church, which has stood twenty-nine years, was taken down, and on October 16th the corner stone of the new Church was laid by the Rector (at the request of the Bishop), on a new lot of land given by a generous friend of the Parish. This gift has enabled the Parish to sell the old lot and to devote the money to the building of the new Church. About \$4,000 have thus far been raised, through the kindness of friends of the Parish, from subscriptions and from the sale of the old Church lot. It is expected that the cost of the new building will be \$6,000.

At the time of making this report the new Church is near completion, and it is hoped that it will be ready for the first services on Easter Sunday.

**ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, UNADILLA.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Daniel E. Loveridge.

**Wardens.** E. M. Packard, Lloyd L. Woodruff.

**Vestrymen.** D. P. Loomis, F. B. Arnold, G. B. Fellows, A. J. Lewis, W. H. Heslop, O. Ireland, L. S. Watkins, Frank Hemford.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 70 ; Baptisms, Infants, 1 ; Confirmed, 4 ; Burials, 6 ; Communi-

cants, last reported, 120, admitted, 4, received, 24, died, 3, removed, 3, present number recorded, 123, actually communicating, 80; Public Services (Sundays, 23, Holy Days, 10, Other Days, 40), 142; Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 3), 21; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 48; Catechizing, number of children, 30; number of times, 10.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,087.13; Sunday School, \$39.50; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$18.34. Total, \$1,144.97.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$36.50; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$8.18. Total, \$64.68.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$5.41.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,214.06.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,500; Parsonage and Lot, \$4,500; Other Property, \$300. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 350.

**CHRIST CHURCH, WEST BURLINGTON.**

**Wardens.** Truman Moss, Stephen I. Pope.

**Vestrymen.** Thomas Hickling, Solomon Anderson, John B. Taylor, Sydney P. Bailey, F. W. Anderson, David G. Parker, Jared M. Robinson, J. Leslie Gardner.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 30; Individuals (Adults, about 90, Children, 25), 115; Burials, 8; Communicants, last reported (1876), 35, died, 1, present number recorded, 28; Public Services, 2.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$50.79.

**Diocesan.**—Salary of the Bishop, \$6.

Total amount of Offerings, \$65.79.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,100; Parsonage and Lot, \$700; Other Property, \$300. Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150, all free.

*Remarks.*

I think the report speaks for itself and needs no remarks.

**EMMANUEL CHURCH, OTEGO.**

**Wardens.** Charles Blake, Eugene L. Phillips.

**Vestrymen.** W. H. Parker, Geo. Goodman, Dr. J. H. Martin, Jr., Wm. Wright, F. E. Shepherd, R. J. Cutler, W. Gilbert.

*Parochial.*

Families, 15; Individuals (Adults, 40, Children, 10), 50; Communicants, died, 1, removed, 2, present number reported, 47.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,500. Condition of Property, good.  
Number of Sitzings in the Church, 40; all free.

*Remarks.*

As we have no Rector, and do not have service, it will be seen that we have a light report to make. We have lost in the past two years by removals quite a number; and they were those who contributed most largely. As we stand now we cannot support a Rector without uniting with some other Church, and then we shall have to have a small amount added to the stipend now apportioned us.

**Rensselaer County.**

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. Francis Harison.

Priest in charge of St. Paul's Free Chapel.\* The Rev. Pelham Williams, D. D.

*Parochial.*

Individuals, estimated (Adults, 500, Children, 300), 800; Baptisms (Adults, 10, Infants, 27), 37; Confirmed, 23; Marriages, 17; Burials, 34; Communicants, estimated present number, 300; Public Services (Sundays, 144, Holy Days, 70, Other Days, 595), 809; Holy Communion, public, 80; Sunday School, teachers, 20, pupils, 250; Parish School, teachers, 5, pupils, 63.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$531.08; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$8,912.33; Sunday School, \$302.95. Total, \$9,806.36.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$629.63; Salary of the Bishop, \$250; Diocesan Fund, \$62.50; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$50. Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$26.24; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$36.24; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$250; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning (including special for Theological Education), \$30. Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$400. Total, \$11,714.51.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$160; Foreign Missions, \$60; Indian Missions, \$35; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$25; Other Objects within the Diocese, \$86.00. Total, \$386.00.

Total amount of Offerings, \$11,906.97.

**ST. PAUL'S FREE CHAPEL.**

Priest in charge: The Rev. Pelham Williams.

Committee: John J. Thompson, Walter B.

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*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$10; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$808.67; Sunday School, \$214.56; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$423.99. Total, \$1,456.22.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$28.69; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$1.22; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$16.28; The Child's Hospital, \$1. Total, \$42.14.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,498.36.

Amount of Salary pledged Priest in charge, \$900 and the Parsonage.

Number of Sitzings in the Chapel, about 200; all free.

*Remarks.*

**Hours of Service.**—Sundays, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, 10:30 A. M.; Catechizing, 8:45 P. M.; Even Song and Sermon, 7:30 P. M.; Daily, Morning Prayer, 8:00 A. M.; Evening Prayer, 7:30 P. M.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TROY.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Frank L. Norton.

**Assistant.** The Rev. Wm. Morris Barker.

**Wardens.** Hon. Francis N. Mann, Norman B. Squires.

**Vestrymen.** Wm. A. Shepard, Dudley Tibbitts, Wm. A. Thompson, Wm. N. Sanford, Wm. E. Gilbert, Charles A. McLeod, Charles W. Tillinghast, Francis N. Mann, Jr.

*Parochial.*

Families, 230; Individuals (Adults, 800, Children, 400), 1,200; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 58), 59; Confirmed, 85; Marriages, 4; Burials, 21; Communicants, last reported, 457, admitted, 85, received (by letter), 10, died, 2, removed, 2, present number recorded, 498; Public Services, Sundays, all; Holy Days, all; Other Days, daily in Lent and all Wednesdays and Fridays; Holy Communion (public, 80, private, 10), 40; Sunday School, teachers, 86, pupils, 260; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday; Sewing School, teachers, 5, pupils, 35.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$428.62; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$7,042.28; Sunday School, \$549.86; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$6,280.33; Other Parochial Objects, \$155.56. Total, \$14,451.19.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$557.02; Salary of the Bishop, \$250; Diocesan Fund, \$75; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$26.24; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$26.24; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$107.01; the Child's Hospital, \$2,500; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$25.98; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$582.25. Total, \$4,149.74.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$25; Foreign Missions (including Mexico), \$192.61; Indian Missions, \$50; Church Home, \$500. Total, \$767.61.

Total amount of Offerings, \$19,368.45.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$75,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$15,000; Other Property, \$1,500. Condition of Property, good, and free of all debt.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$3,000 and rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 700; Chapel, 250.

*Remarks.*

A new and beautiful organ has been placed in the Church, built by Hilborne L. Roosevelt, of New York, and two richly painted windows, representing the Fra Angelico Angels, have been added to the west end of the nave.

Money has been raised by the ladies for tiling the chancel, and money for a brass chancel rail has been given by a devout communicant of the Parish.

A memorial altar cross, to the sacred memory of Thomas A. Tillinghast, has been placed upon the re-table, and a "Rector's chair," of carved oak, as a memorial to a dear daughter of the Church, has been placed in the chancel.

**CHRIST CHURCH, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. Joseph N. Mulford.

Wardens. George B. Smith, William Kemp.

Vestrymen. Jacob Jacobs, Charles Cleminshaw, Charles N. Stannard, Samuel C. Tappin, Liberty Gilbert, Robert G. Smith, Peter Black, William H. Lawton.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 11), 16; Confirmed, 37; Marriages, 9; Burials, 19; Communicants, last reported, 270, admitted, 36, received, 16, died, 3, removed, 10, present number recorded, 309; Public Services (Sundays, 94, Holy Days, 4, Other Days, 80), 178; Holy Communion (public, 12, private, 2), 14; Sunday School, teachers, 21, pupils, 275.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,807.56; Sunday School, \$401.19; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$3,624; Church Home, \$175; Benevolent Objects, \$451.93. Total, \$8,459.68.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$100; Salary of the Bishop, \$125; Diocesan Fund, \$25; the Child's Hospital, \$29.89; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$20; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$40. Total, \$339.89.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$45; Foreign Missions, \$31.24; Education of young men for the Ministry, \$415.25; Other objects Exterior to the Diocese, \$10. Total, \$496.49.

Total amount of Offerings, \$9,296.06.

*Remarks.*

Within the past year the exterior of the Church edifice has been improved at a cost of \$3,624.

**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. James B. Wasson.

Warden. Robert Bainbridge, Jr.

Vestrymen. Joseph W. Fuller, Peter Thalimer, Norman B. Squires, Wm. A. Thompson, Henry Evans, Caleb Bird, James Wood, Pulcher H. Mitchell.

*Parochial.*

Families, 121; Individuals (Adults, 301, Children, 253), 554; Baptisms, Infants, 17; Confirmed, 3; Marriages, 5; Burials, 15; Communicants, last reported, 124, admitted, 3, received, 72, died, 9, removed, 12, present number recorded, 188, actually communicating, 85; Public Services (Sundays, 100, Holy Days, 5, Other Days, 46), 151; Holy Communion (public, 14, private, 7), 21; Sunday School,



teachers, 16, pupils, 183 ; Catechizing, number of children, 175 ; number of times, 46.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$37.94 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,100 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$150. Total, \$1,287.94.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$10.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$1.21 : Other objects exterior to the Diocese, \$25 Total, \$26.21.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,324.15.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$23,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000 ; Other Property, \$1,500.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 500 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

It should be said in explanation of the meager offerings, that the Parish has felt in a peculiar degree the effects of the panic of 1873. Situated, as it is in the Iron Works district of the city, and depending so greatly on the mills, this could not be otherwise. But now, since the great revival in the iron industries, the signs of a returning prosperity for the Parish are visible ; and it is hoped that it will make a better showing in the future.

**FREE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. James Caird.

Trustees. F. W. Farnam, Thomas Cordwell, Uri Gilbert, J. J. Gillespy, W. A. Thompson, N. B. Squires.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 16), 19 ; Confirmed, 19 ; Marriages, 12 ; Burials, 10 ; Communicants, present number recorded, 190 ; Public Services (Sundays, 100, Other Days, 56), 156 ; Holy Communion (public, 12, private, 3), 15 ; Sunday School, teachers, 20, pupils, 250 ; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms for the Poor, \$74.25 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,398.88 ; Sunday School, \$318.03. Total, \$3,791.16.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$72.47 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$10 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$5 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$25 ; the Child's Hospital, \$10 ; Church Home, Troy, \$10. Total, \$132.47.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$20 ; Foreign Missions, \$37.17 ; Evangelical Education Society, \$105. Total, \$162.17.

Total amount of Offerings, \$4,085.80.

**THE FREE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, EAST ALBANY.**

Rector. The Rev. Richard Temple.

Trustees. Rev. Richard Temple, Rev. Frank L. Norton, Thos. A. Tillinghast, J. H. Van Antwerp, Dudley Tibbits, A. H. Tyler, William Anderson.

*Parochial.*

Families and parts of Families, 77 ; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 10), 12 ; Confirmed, 19 ; Marriages, 5 ; Burials, 8 ; Communicants, last reported, 85, admitted, 19, received, 2, died, 4, removed, 8, present number recorded, 94 ; Public Services, every Sunday and Holy Day ; Holy Communion, public, monthly and on Holy Days, private, 4 ; Sunday School, teachers, 24, pupils, 165.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$31.86 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,080 ; Sunday School, \$111. Total, \$1,222.86.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$3 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$5 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$3.50. Total, \$11.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,234.36.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000 ; Other Property, \$500. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness.— \$550.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, \$300 ; all free.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, GREENBUSH.

Rector. The Rev. Edgar T. Chapman.

Wardens. Thomas Fuller, Wm. P. Morgan.

Vestrymen. Kelly Atwood, J. V. B. Tellen, John Ruyter, Wm. C. Ruyter, George Low, George Simmons, Wm. C. Abrams, John C. Goold.

*Parochial.*

Families, 75 ; Baptisms, Infants, 6 ; Marriages, 4 ; Burials, 3 ; Public Services (Sundays, 2, Holy Days, 1, Other Days, 2 daily in Advent and Lent) ; Holy Communion (public, 28, private, 4), 32 ; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 75 ; Catechizing, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$39.79 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$750. Total, \$789.79.

Diocesan.— Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$6.13 ; the Child's Hospital, \$7.26. Total, \$13.39.

Total amount of Offerings, \$803.18.

TRINITY CHURCH, HART'S FALLS.

Rector. The Rev. R. G. Hamilton.

Wardens. Thomas L. Doremus, J. J. Wetzel.

Vestrymen.—Charles Albro, Edward Searles, William H. Leyfield (one vacancy).

*Parochial.*

Families, 45 ; Individuals (Adults, 104, Children, 76), 180 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 7), 8 ; Confirmed, 9 ; Marriages, 2 ; Burials, 9 ; Communicants, last reported, 40, admitted, 9, removed, 4, present number recorded, 45, actually communicating, 39 ; Public Services (Sundays, 115, Other Days, 22), 137 ; Holy Communion, public, 28 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 50 ; Catechizing, number of children, 35 ; number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$464.57; Sunday School, \$84; Sinking Fund, \$14.40. Total, \$512.97.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$10; Salary of the Bishop, \$5; Diocesan Fund, \$5. Total, \$20.

Total amount of Offerings, \$532.97.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,000. Condition of Property, excellent.

Indebtedness.—Mortgage debt, at 7 per cent, \$2,700.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$400.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; all free.

*Remarks.*

Services have been held at Crandall's Corners on alternate Sundays, in the afternoon, during the summer and autumn months, but are now discontinued for the winter.

**ST. MARK'S CHURCH, HOOSAC FALLS.**

**Rector.** The Rev. George Huntington Nicholls.

**Assistant.** The Rev. John Dolby Skene.

**Wardens.** Walter A. Wood, James Russell Parsons.

**Vestrymen.** S. A. Skinner, James Sloan, E. O. Pattison, S. W. Barker, John G. Darroch, Camp Keller, Marshall D. Greenwood.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 19), 23; Confirmed, 26; Marriages, 7; Burials, 6; Communicants, last reported, 162, admitted, 22, received, 7, died, 3, present number recorded, 188; Holy Communion (public, 20, private, 6), 26; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 110; Catechizing, number of times, 50.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,000; Sunday School, \$200; Other Parochial Objects, \$82. Total, \$3,282.00.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$250; Salary of the Bishop, \$26; Diocesan Fund, \$37.50; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$6; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$19; the Child's Hospital, \$20.38; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$15. Total, \$383.88.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$25; Foreign Missions, \$10; Indian Missions, \$5; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$5; New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, \$10; Nashotah, \$26; Toward building a Church at Bismarck, Dakotah Ter., \$20. Total, \$101.

Total amount of Offerings, \$3,766.88.

**TRINITY CHURCH, LANSINGBURGH.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Byron J. Hall.

**Warden.** Horace W. Day.

**Vestrymen.** James McQuide, Wm. R. Barton, Charles Holmes, E. K. Betts, Jacob Dudden, Eugene Hyatt, P. B. King, James M. Snyder.

*Parochial.*

Families, 250 ; Individuals (Adults, 300, Children, 100), 400 ; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 8), 12 ; Confirmed, 18 ; Marriages, 6 ; Burials, 10 ; Communicants, last reported, 165, present number recorded, 170, actually communicating, 100 ; Holy Communion (public, 12, private, 6), 18 ; Sunday School, teachers, 20, pupils, 175.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$75 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,138.50. Total, \$2,213.50.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$68.83 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$50 ; Diocesan Fund, \$20. Total, \$138.83.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,352.83.

**Saratoga County.**

**CHRIST CHURCH, BALLSTON SPA.**

Rector. The Rev. Walter Delafield.

Wardens. James W. Horton, Stephen B. Medbery.

Vestrymen. John Richards, Stephen C. Medbery, C. Oscar McCreedy, Jonathan Smith, Wm. H. Phillips, Wm. S. Wheeler, Charles M. Brown, John Scott.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 10, Infants, 31), 41 ; Confirmed, 21 ; Marriages, 11 ; Burials, 15 ; Communicants, last reported, 375, admitted, 21, received, 1, died, 1, removed, 23, present number recorded, 373, actually communicating, 332 ; Public Services, Sundays, 3 every Sunday, all Holy Days and daily in Lent ; Other Days, Wednesdays and Fridays ; Holy Communion, public, first Sunday in each month and all great Festivals, private, 10 ; Sunday School, teachers, 15, pupils, 150 ; Parish School, teachers, 2, pupils, 25.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$129.85 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,304.49 ; Sunday School, \$930.50 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$123. Total, \$3,487.84.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$100 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$36 ; Diocesan Fund, \$30 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4.25 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$25.93 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$12.72 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$22.19 ; the Child's Hospital, \$31.95 ; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$10.52 ; St. John's Chapel, East Line, \$50. Total, \$323.56.

General.—General Theological Seminary, \$11.59 ; Missions, \$295.51 ; Babcock Scholarship, Jaffa, \$30 ; Society for the Conversion of the Jews, \$1.76 ; St. Stephen's College, Annandale, \$13.91 ; All Saints' Hall, Liberia, \$11.35 ; Coopersville Mission, Michigan, \$60.25. Total, \$424.37.

Total amount of Offerings, \$4,235.77.

*Property.*

Condition of Property, good, and out of debt.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200 and Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, EAST LINE.****Missionary.** The Rev. Walter Delafield.*Parochial.*

Families, 48 ; Baptisms, Infants, 8 ; Confirmed, 12 ; Marriages, 2 ; Burials, 1 ; Communicants, last reported, 12 ; received, 6 ; present number recorded, 80 ; actually communicating, 28 ; Public Services, once every Sunday ; Holy Days, all great Festivals ; Other Days, Wednesday evenings ; Holy Communion, public, third Sunday in each month, and on great Festivals ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 30.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$125 ; Sunday School, \$20 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$750, with aid from outside friends. Total, \$895.

**Diocesan.**—Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$0.85 ; the Child's Hospital, \$2.16. Total, \$2.51.

Total amount of Offerings, \$897.51.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,500 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,000. Condition of Property, good and out of debt, but Parsonage not finished.

Amount of Salary pledged Missionary, \$80.

Number of Sitzings in the Chapel, 125 ; all free.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CHARLTON.**

The Rev. Dr. Lowell, temporarily in charge.

**Wardens.** Matthew L. R. Valentine, Robert O. Davis.

**Vestrymen.** Joseph L. R. Valentine, Joseph R. Valentine, John Hayes, Wm. O. Smith, W. L. Taylor, Robert Wendell, George C. Valentine, Wm. Leander Hoyt.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, Infants, 1 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 2 ; Public Services, Sundays, once a day ; Holy Communion, public, monthly.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$200 ; Sexton, \$25 ; Organist, \$67.93 ; Cushioning Church, Ladies' Aid Society. (Ladies' Aid Society have a balance of \$17.97). Total, \$292.93.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.

*Remarks.*

Dr. Lowell has accepted, for three months, from January 1, 1880, the charge of this Parish, with that of Calvary, Burnt Hills, but lives in Schenectady. This Parish, like the other, is suffering from want of a resident Rector.

**CALVARY CHURCH, BURNT HILLS.**

The Rev. Robert Lowell, S. T. D., temporarily in charge.

**Wardens.** Frederick Curtiss, James P. Smith.

**Vestrymen.** Wm. H. Wheeler, Peter Bliss, E. R. Jones, Ammi Van Vorst, E. K. Wheeler, Charles H. Upham, Levinus Lansing, Wm. Cornelison.

*Parochial.*

Families, 24 ; Individuals (Adults, 90, Children, 40), 130 ; Baptisms, Infants, 3 : Marriages, 1 ; Communicants, present number recorded, 65 ; Public Services, Sundays, regularly, once a day, and in Lent once a week ; Holy Communion, public, once a month ; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 30.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.60 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$400 ; for the Poor, \$2. Total, \$415.60.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$2.06 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12 ; Diocesan Fund, \$5 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4.13 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$2.64. Total, \$25.83.

General.—General Missions, Sunday School Offering, \$6.56.

Total amount of Offerings, \$447.99.

*Property.*

Condition of Property, excellent and in good repair.

Amount of Salary pledged Minister in charge, for three months, \$100.

*Remarks.*

From Jan. 1, 1880, Dr. Lowell takes charge for three months, to tide the two Parishes (which are suffering, of course, greatly from their destitution) over the winter ; but he lives in Schenectady, driving a round of twenty miles to hold service at the two Churches (Burnt Hills and Charlton).

The particulars of the Parochial Report are furnished by the Senior Warden.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, MECHANICVILLE.

Rector. The Rev. A. H. Stubbs.

Wardens. N. H. Ballou, M. D., Philip Kerwood.

Vestrymen. Joseph Knickerbacker, Madison Hart, Harvey L. Dwight, Job G. Viall, Hiland Cornell, Samuel H. Hall, M. D., Isaiah Massey, Henry Sandford.

*Parochial.*

Families, 46 ; Individuals (Adults, 100, Children, 40), 140 ; Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 8), 13 ; Confirmed, 6 ; Marriages, 5 ; Burials, 10 ; Churchings, 2 ; Communicants, last reported, 58, admitted, 9, received, 11, died, 3, removed, 6, present number recorded, 69, actually communicating, 37 ; Public Services (Sundays, 208, Holy Days, 27, Other Days, 17), 252 ; Holy Communion (public, 36, private, 11), 47 ; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 37 ; Catechizing, number of children, 42, number of times, 14.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$23 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,018.54 ; Sunday School, \$20 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$100. Total, \$1,161.54.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$25 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$28 ; Diocesan Fund \$10. Total, \$63.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$1 ; Foreign Missions, \$1 ; Indian Missions, \$1 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$1. Total, \$4.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,228.54.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$4,000. Condition of Property, fair.

- | Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.  
 | Number of Sitzings in the Church, 100; number rented, all.

*Remarks.*

This report covers the years 1878 and 1879.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, STILLWATER.**

Rector. The Rev. A. H. Stubbs.

Wardens. E. B. Skinner, Matthew Pack.

Vestrymen. James Ryan, L. Stringer, Joseph Moll, Eugene Judd, William Bradley.

*Parochial.*

Families, 5; Individuals (Adults, 15, Children, 6), 21; Confirmed, 3; Communicants, last reported, 12, admitted, 2, received, 5, present number recorded, 19, actually communicating, 13; Public Services (Sundays, 48, Holy Days, 12, Other Days, 13), 73; Holy Communion (public, 24, private, 1), 25; Sunday School, teachers, 2, pupils, 6; Catechizing, number of children, 6, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$13; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$103. Total, \$116.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$10; Salary of the Bishop, \$10; Diocesan Fund, \$5. Total, \$25.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$1; Foreign Missions, \$1; Indian Missions, \$1; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$1. Total, \$4.

Total amount of Offerings, \$145.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,000.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, benefit of Endowment.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 100; all free.

*Remarks.*

This report covers the years 1878 and 1879.

**BETHESDA CHURCH, SARATOGA SPRINGS.**

Rector. The Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D.

Wardens. H. W. Burhans, A. B. Olmstead.

Vestrymen. James M. Marvin, P. P. Wiggins, R. C. McEwen, Wm. M. Searing, William Bennett, John W. Ehninger, Charles H. Payn, Daniel Eddy.

*Parochial.*

Families, 205; Individuals (Adults, 542, Children, 425), 967; Baptisms (Adults, 24, Infants, 43), 67; Confirmed, 39; Marriages, 13; Burials, 42; Communicants, last reported, 381, admitted, 34, received, 2, died, 7, removed, 8, present number recorded, 402, actually communicating, 392; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 23, Other Days, 261), 388; Holy Communion (public, 39, private, 10), 49; Sunday School, teachers, 44, pupils, including the "Home," 435; Catechizing, number of children, 435; number of times, 52.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$258.35 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,677.34 ; Sunday School, \$160 ; For Church Debt, \$1,337.52 ; Home of Good Shepherd, \$350. Total, \$5,783.21.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, including offering for East Line, \$171.64 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$40 ; Diocesan Fund, \$36 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$37.65 ; The Child's Hospital, \$21.44. Total, \$306.73.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, Bishop Tuttle, \$20 ; Foreign Missions, Miss Scott for school, \$9.36 ; Mission to Deaf Mutes, \$51.35 ; To Bishop Whipple for his work, \$128.50 ; From a lady to Bishop of Connecticut, \$20 ; St. Stephen's College, \$42.50. Total, \$271.71.

Total amount of Offerings, \$6,361.65.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$50,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$7,000 ; Other Property, Home of Good Shepherd, \$3,500. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness, about \$3,500.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,800, with Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 850 ; part rented, part free.

**ST. STEPHEN'S, SCHUYLERVILLE.**

**Rector.** The Rev. George W. Dean, S. T. D.

**Wardens.** Chas. H. Payn, M. D., J. R. Preston, M. D.

**Vestrymen.** George Trover, S. R. Lawrence, Peter Davison, H. V. Shaw, J. Hicks Smith, Richard Rastall, John Knapton, C. Tennant Lee, treasurer.

*Parochial.*

Families, 45 ; Individuals (Adults, 90, Children, 53), 143 ; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 6), 12 ; Confirmed, 3 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 3 ; Communicants, last reported, 54, admitted, 2, received, 2, died, 1, removed, 3 ; Public Services (Sunday, 104, Holy Days, 13, Other Days, 60), 177 ; Holy Communion (public, 19, private, 6), 25 ; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 45 ; Catechizing, number of children, 53, number of times, 50 ; Parish School, teachers, 1, pupils, 12.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$34.21 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$468.69 ; Sunday School, \$9.05 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$56.17 ; Other Parochial Objects, \$43.04. Total, \$611.16.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$20 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; Diocesan Fund, \$7.50 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.66 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.82 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$2.91 ; The Child's Hospital, \$4.24. Total, \$45.13.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$2.41 ; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$1 ; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$2 ; Mission to the Jews, \$2.18. Total, \$7.59.

Total amount of Offerings, \$663.88.

*Property.*

Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200 ; all free.



The Parish is financially weak. It will be perceived that the Vestry responded to the Board of Missions, by taking \$150 from, instead of adding to, their pledge to the Missionary. It has been the good fortune of St. Stephen's, however, during the past year, to add to the number of its communicants some young men, who, following the steps of the great Saint after whom their Parish is named, it is to be hoped will by zeal and charity restore the dilapidations of a waning faith.

There is little to be said in the way of report for St. Paul's, Greenwich, during the past year. I held two services last year, just before and after Easter, and also the Easter election. A legacy of \$500 was received from Mrs. Wing's estate, and is now in savings bank in Troy. The Parish now seems to be reviving. The Ladies' Society have bought a lot 150x75 feet, in the heart of the town, for \$1,000, for Church and Rectory. A manufacturer has just removed into Greenwich bringing four hundred work people, and is said to be a liberal churchman.

#### GRACE CHURCH, WATERFORD.

Rector. The Rev. Walter Thompson.

Wardens. James Holroyd, John Higgins.

Vestrymen. Francis S. Waldron, Joseph P. Enos, John Lawrence, Joseph Harriman, Emanuel Mead, William Donald, William Holroyd, Thomas Breslin.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 106; Individuals (Adults, 182, Children, 110), 292; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 9), 10; Confirmed, 9; Marriages, 1; Burials, 5; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 130, admitted, 9, received, 13, died, 1, removed, 1, present number recorded, 150, actually communicating, 130; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 12, Other Days, 78), 194; Holy Communion (public, 30, private, 6), 36; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 105; Catechizing, number of children, 105; number of times, 20.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$96.34; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,346.55; Sunday School, \$83.94; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$800; For Poor, \$37.85, Sewing School, \$13.25, Christmas Tree, Easter Expenses, etc., \$131.63; \$182.73. Total, \$2,509.56.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$63; Salary of the Bishop, \$35; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$8; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$13.50; The Child's Hospital, \$25; Debt on Bishop's House, \$10.05. Total, \$154.55.

General.—Domestic Missions and Foreign Missions, \$46.52; All Saints Hall, Liberia, \$25. Total, \$71.52.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,735.63.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000; Other Property, Leases and Bonds, \$2,000. Condition of Property, in perfect repair.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; number rented, 58 pews, number free 13 pews.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CONKLYNVILLE.**

**Missionary.** The Rev. Wm. H. Phillips, from June 1st, 1879.

*Parochial.*

Families, 17 ; Individuals (Adults, 49, Children, 30), 79 ; Baptisms, Infants, 2 ; Public Services (Sundays, 31, Holy Days, 2), 33 ; Holy Communion, public, 7.

*Offerings.*

Diocesan.— Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; Communion Alms, \$6.

Total amount of Offerings, \$12.

**Schenectady County.**

**ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, SCHENECTADY.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Wm. Payne, D. D.

**Wardens.** A. A. Van Vorst, Samuel W. Jackson.

**Vestrymen.** D. C. Smith, G. G. Maxon, George Curtis, Jas. E. Davis, William Howes Smith, T. W. McCamus, J. A. De Remer, John Keyes Paige.

*Parochial.*

Families, 160 ; Individuals, 500 ; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 18), 20 ; Confirmed, 11 ; Marriages, 6 ; Burials, 16 ; Communicants, last reported, 217, admitted, 17, received, 6, died, 8, removed, 10, present number recorded, 222 ; Public Services, Sundays, 104 ; all Holy Days ; every Friday ; Holy Communion (public, 31, private, 5), 36 ; Sunday School, teachers, 25, pupils, 160 ; Catechizing in Sunday School, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$112.30 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,218.87 ; Sunday School and other objects, through Mite Society, \$187.49 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property and other Parochial Objects, \$150 ; Sexton's Collection, \$33.50 ; pledged at Christmas Offertory for Church debt, and payable in three installments, \$4,080. Total, \$7,782.16.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$251 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$40 ; Diocesan Fund, \$37.50 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$23.93 ; the Child's Hospital, \$24. Total, \$376 43.

General.— Domestic Missions, \$15.65 ; Foreign Missions, including payment through Miss Scott, \$11.50. Total, \$27.15.

Total amount of Offerings, \$8,185.74.

**CHRIST CHURCH, SCHENECTADY.**

**Rector.** The Rev. John H. Rogers.

**Wardens.** James D. Featherstonhangh, James E. Curtis.

**Vestrymen.** Samuel T. Benedict, David Guy, William N. Butler, Henry C. Van Zandt, John K. Elwin, Richard T. Butler, Isaac C. Van Vranken.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 13), 15 ; Confirmed, 8 ; Marriages, 3 ; Burials, 9 ; Communicants, last reported, 87, received, 9, died, 2, removed, 3, present number recorded, 91 ; Public Services, 2 each Sunday ; all the greater Festivals and

many other days; Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 8), 16; Sunday School, teachers, 18, pupils, 80; Catechizing, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$31.46; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,100; Sunday School, \$26.47; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$954.42; Other Parochial Objects, \$121.40. Total, \$2,233.75.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$12; Salary of the Bishop, \$10; Diocesan Fund, \$24; the Child's Hospital, \$6.50. Total, \$52.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,286.25.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000. Condition of Property, excellent.

Indebtedness.—Mortgage on Church Property of \$1,500.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 180; all free.

**CHRIST CHURCH, DUANESBURGH.**

**Rector.** The Rev. George L. Neide.

**Wardens.** B. M. Duane, Alexander McDougall.

**Vestrymen,** H. P. Allen, A. Van Pelt, R. W. McDougall, J. D. Featherstonhaugh, John Wilkins, George Matthews, Edward Clark, Wesley Van Pelt.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 5), 9; Confirmed, 8; Marriages, 2; Burials, 2; Communicants, last reported, 80, admitted, 8, received, 1, died, 2, present number recorded, 87, actually communicating, 70; Public Services (Sundays, 115, Holy Days, 18, Other Days, 20), 153; Holy Communion (public, 28, private, 4), 32; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 82; Catechizing, number of children, 30; number of times, 27.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$12.47.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$25; Salary of the Bishop, \$45; Diocesan Fund, \$30; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.75; toward payment of debt on Bishop's House, \$10. Total, \$113.75.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$4.41; Foreign Missions, \$2.57. Total, \$6.98.

Total amount of Offerings, \$133.20.

**Schoharie County.****ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, MIDDLEBURGH.**

**Missionary Priest.** The Rev. H. C. E. Costelle.

**Wardens.** W. H. Engle, Charles Bouck.

*Parochial.*

Families, 7; Parts of Families, 7; Individuals (Adults, 31, Children, 10), 41; Communicants, present number recorded, 21, actually communicating, 21; Public

Services (Sundays, 26, Holy Days, 6, Other Days, 4), 36 ; Holy Communion, public, 4 ; Catechizing, number of times, 10.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$19.48 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$60.98. Total, \$80.46.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$6.37 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$5. Total, \$11.37.  
Total amount of Offerings, \$91.83.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,400 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,500. Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 100 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

This report is from October 1st, 1879, to the end of the year.

Just before the Missionary took charge of this Parish, the rectory was thoroughly renovated and the exterior of the Church neatly painted.

Although this Parish has been in existence for twenty-six years, it has no Parish records. The statistics given are as nearly correct as possible under the circumstances.

**TRINITY CHURCH, SHARON SPRINGS.**

Rector. The Rev. J. W. Paige.

Board of Trustees. Rev. Robert S. Howland, D. D., John H. Gardner, Stephen C. Williams, et al.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 8, Infants, 8), 16 ; Confirmed, 15 ; Marriages, 2 ; Burials, 6 ; Communicants, last reported, 56, admitted, 15, received, 1, died, 1, removed, 4, present number recorded, 67 ; Public Services (Sundays, including Mission, 123, Holy Days, 4, Other Days, 34), 161 ; Holy Communion, public, 13 ; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 106 ; Catechizing, number of times, about 20.

*Offerings.*

Parochial. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$75.76 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, about \$1,100 ; Sunday School, \$27.03 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, about \$200. Total, \$1,402.79.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$9.03 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$20 ; other Offerings for objects within the Diocese, \$6.20. Total, \$35.23.

General.—Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$5.60.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,443.62.

*Property.*

Condition of Property, very good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$750.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

Recently, Mission Services have been held at Sharon Centre, which will be continued on alternate Sundays throughout the year.

**St. Lawrence County.****ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, OGDENSBURGH.**

**Rector.** The Rev. J. D. Morrison, D. D.

**Assistant.** The Rev. W. J. W. Finlay.

**Wardens.** Charles Ashley, Louis Hasbrouck, Jr.

**Vestrymen.** J. G. Averill, H. R. James, J. C. Sprague, F. N. Burt, Stillman Foote, W. H. Averill, J. D. Judson, James Parker.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, Adults and Infants, 49; Confirmed, 82; Marriages, 18; Burials, 88; Churchings, 1; Communicants, present number recorded, 450, actually communicating, 400; Public Services (Sundays, 106, Holy Days, 21, Other Days, 102), 229; Holy Communion (public, 72, private, 80), 102; Sunday School, teachers, 83, pupils (average attendance), 190; Catechizing, number of class, 50, every Sunday afternoon; Industrial School, teachers, 25, pupils (average attendance), 200.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, first Sunday in month, \$285.00; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$6,882.56; Sunday School, \$275; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$350; Orphan House of St. John's, Ogdensburgh, \$214.16. Total, \$7,406.72.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$628.14; Salary of the Bishop, \$70; Diocesan Fund, \$54; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$22.29; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$5; the Child's Hospital, \$33.66. Total, \$813.09.

**General.**—Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$70.83.

Total amount of Offerings, \$8,290.64.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$100,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged and paid Rector, \$1,800 and house rent.

Amount of Salary pledged and paid Assistant Minister, \$700.

Amount of Annuity pledged and paid Rev. H. R. Peters, D. D., \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 970, Chapel, 320; rented and free.

**REPORT OF ASSOCIATE MISSION OF LISBON, HEUVELTON AND MORRISTOWN.****ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LISBON.**

Services have been held at this Church every Sunday afternoon during the past year, with two or three exceptions when the roads were impassable. There have been one marriage and two burials, all of which are recorded in the Register of the Parish Church, and reported above. The increased attendance at these services has been most satisfactory, and a flourishing Sunday School has been carried on. Lisbon has contributed nearly \$60 toward defraying the expenses of the Mission, and has promised to contribute \$100 during the coming year.

**HEUVELTON.**

Services were begun in this Mission at the end of March last, and were continued every Sunday afternoon until the first of November. Since then they

have been held on Thursday evenings. There is a large field in this section, which it is hoped the Church may one day occupy, but it will be a work of time.

**CHRIST CHURCH, MORRISTOWN.**

The report found in the Journal of Convention, under this head, deals with this Parish before it was attached to the Associated Mission, on the first of November. Since that date services have been held every Sunday morning, also on Thanksgiving and Christmas days. The Holy Communion has been celebrated once. There have been two public baptisms. Received in offertories: Alms at Holy Communion, \$5.28; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$72.91; Sunday School, \$37.75; Diocesan Missions, \$30; the Child's Hospital, \$9.93; Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$11.25. Total, \$167.12. Amount pledged to defray the expenses of the Mission, \$275.

The prospects here are very encouraging, indeed, and the people seem disposed to do all in their power to further the work of the Church in this part of the Mission. The Missionary gratefully acknowledges the warm hospitality which has been everywhere tendered him, besides many other acts of kindly courtesy, notably the generous offer of one of the vestry (Mr. H. A. Chapman) to drive him back to Ogdensburgh every Sunday after service.

**CHRIST CHURCH, MORRISTOWN.**

*(From January 1, 1879, to June 1, 1879.)*

Wardens. Erastus W. White, Frank Chapman.

Vestrymen. John Canfield, William Bolton, William Gray, John H. McDougall, Henry A. Chapman, J. A. Phillips, Edmund Kingsland and Henry Hooker.

*Parochial.*

Families, 45; Individuals (Adults, 82, Children, 67), 149; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Children, 5), 7; Confirmed, 2; Marriages, 1; Burials, 2; Communicants, last reported, 63, present number recorded, 65, actually communicating, 64; Public Services, Sundays, 40; Holy Communion, 5; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 37.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$215; Sunday School, \$15. Total, \$230.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$10; Salary of the Bishop, \$15. Total, \$25.

*Property.*

Parsonage and Lot, \$1,250. Amount of indebtedness on Parsonage, \$800. Condition of Property, good.

Amount pledged Rector, \$500.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300; all free.

*Remarks.*

Rev. W. H. Phillips left this Parish June 1, 1879. From that time to November 1, 1879, J. A. Phillips, M. D., with the sanction of the Bishop of the Diocese, officiated as Lay Reader each Sunday morning. For other matters see report of Ogdensburgh Associate Missions.

HENRY HOOKER,

*Clerk of Vestry.*

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WADDINGTON.**

Rector. The Rev. Thomas G. Clemson.

Wardens. Seth J. Dewey, Silas J. Bower, M. D.

Vestrymen. H. B. Proctor, S. F. Carlisle, J. I. Cook, Wm. Forsythe, F. Elliot Wm. Keyes.

*Parochial.*

Families, 40; Individuals (Adults, 110, Children, 65), 175; Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 10), 15; Confirmed, 10; Marriages, 4; Burials, 4; Communicants, last reported, 71, admitted, 9, received, 6, died, 3, removed, 4, present number recorded, 92, actually communicating, 79; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 14, Other Days, 9), 127; Holy Communion (public, 17, private, 1), 18; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 40; Catechizing, number of children, 42, number of times, 30.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$12.31; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$500; Sunday School, \$5.50; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$25.50. Total, \$543.31.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$20.60; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$8.75; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$1.81; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.89; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$1.72; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$6.95. Total, \$53.72.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$3.84; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$6. Total, \$9.84.

Total amount of Offerings, \$606.87.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300; all free.

*Remarks.*

The Parish is growing steadily and as fast as can be expected in a community strongly occupied by dissent and Roman Catholic foreign element, and continually drained by constant emigration. The hard times have been severely felt, but hopes are entertained of better condition in the year before us.

Besides the regular services in the Parish, Mission work has been steadily maintained, and there is hope of a good and permanent result. The attendance has averaged about 80. Many kindnesses show their interest, and we hope to organize at an early day.

**TRINITY CHURCH, POTSDAM.**

Rector. The Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D.

Wardens. E. W. Foster, T. Streatfield Clarkson.

Vestrymen. Milton Heath, B. Usher, C. O. Tappan, W. A. Dart, Luke Usher, T. S. Clarkson, Jr., O. G. Howe, H. D. Thatcher.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 80; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 9), 11; Confirmed, 12; Marriages, 2; Burials, 5; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 190, admitted,

12, received, 9, died, 5, removed, 18, present number recorded, 188; Public Services, three every Sunday, on all the Holy Days, daily through the year, as a rule; Holy Communion (public, 39, private, 15), 54; Sunday School, teachers, 16, pupils, 152; Catechizing, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$69.97; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,485.25; Sunday School, \$80. Total, \$1,635.22.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$325.25; Salary of the Bishop, \$38; Diocesan Fund, \$25; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$8.42; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$11.68; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$10.10; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$25.18; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$5.47; Convocation of Ogdensburg, \$65.45. Total, \$514.45.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$46.72; Foreign Missions, \$334; Indian Missions, \$120; All Saints' Hall, Siberia, \$31.53. Total, \$532.25.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,682.02.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$15,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,500. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 350; rented.

*Remarks.*

Services have been held, as a rule, every fortnight, at the three Missions connected with the Parish, Colton, West Stockholm and Hanawa Falls. During the first half of the year past, I had the valuable co-operation in this work of the Rev. J. R. L. Nisbett, late Assistant Minister of the Parish, and have now secured the services of Mr. Edward W. Neil, as Lay Reader, who enters on the work at once.

The Missions are flourishing as well as could be expected, in view of the spiritual provision for them being necessarily so inadequate, on account of their distance, one from another. The Parish, too, at large, I am happy to report as in a prosperous condition.

**GRACE CHURCH, CANTON.**

**Rector.** The Rev. John T. Pearce.

**Wardens.** W. H. H. Sawyer, Sr., L. W. Russell, Jr.

**Vestrymen.** Samuel C. Kerr, Richard B. Ellsworth, Sheldon Brewer, William G. Woodruff, Horace D. Ellsworth.

*Parochial.*

Families, 64; Individuals (Adults, 180, Children, 126), 306; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 16), 20; Confirmed, 8; Marriages, 2; Burials, 7; Churchings, 2; Communicants, last reported, 110, admitted, 13, received, 10, died, 1, removed, 10, present number recorded, 122, actually communicating, 103; Public Services (Sundays, 101, Holy Days, 30, Other Days, 19), 150; Holy Communion (public, 16, private, 1), 17; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 85, roll list; Catechizing, number of children, those present; teach Bible class, number of times, several.



*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$128.53; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,008.80; Sunday School, \$18.40; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$70.81; Baptism Certificates, Sunday School Instruction Books and Papers, \$21.98. Total, \$1,248.02.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$70.55; Salary of the Bishop, \$14; Diocesan Fund, \$17.50; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4; Increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$4.25; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$4; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$8.07; The Child's Hospital, \$4; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$4.43; Convocation of Ogdensburg, \$5. Total, \$185.80.

**General.**—General Missions, \$14.08; Nashotah Theological Seminary, \$9, and private gift, \$5, \$14; Miss Scott, African Mission, \$8.75. Total, \$36.77.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,415.59.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,500. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$700, and use of Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; 200 rented, 50 free.

*Remarks.*

In last year's report, the number of communicants actually communicating should have been 91, and not 80 as reported.

The recent improvements which the Church has undergone consist of the closing up of the two side doors, by which the Church was entered from the porch, converting the one side into a Sunday School Library, the other into a sexton's closet, and now entering the Church through two central folding doors. We think the change a very decided improvement.

## GRACE CHURCH, NORFOLK.

**Rector.** The Rev. Augustus Prime.

**Wardens.** Sylvester Foord, M. D., and Henry A. Wetmore.

**Vestrymen.** Cassius Robinson, F. Wetmore, H. F. Allen, E. H. Atwater, F. S. Goff, A. M. Thomson, M. D., N. C. Smith, E. Foord, G. Carpenter, G. Mowett.

*Parochial.*

Families, 26; Individuals (Adults, 54, Children, 55), 109; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 26), 28; Confirmed, 2; Burials, 2; Communicants, last reported, 85, admitted, 2, received, 5, died, 2, present number recorded, 40, actually communicating, 40; Public Services (Sundays, 85, Holy Days, 7, Other Days, 24), 116; Holy Communion (public, 68, private, 18), 86; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 33; Catechizing, number of children, 16; number of times, 3.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$40.10; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$306.02; Other Parochial Objects, \$3.54. Total, \$349.66.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$7.80; Diocesan Fund, \$5; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$0.75. Total, \$13.55.

**General.**—Foreign Missions, Cuba, \$1.25.

Total amount of Offerings, \$364.46.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200 and a house.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

I took charge of this Parish on August 1st. We have had regular services on Sundays and Friday evenings, with an additional service on Wednesdays during Advent.

I cannot speak too highly of the way in which the people have supported me in my work. We are quite free of debt, and all engagements have been fulfilled with punctuality and cheerfulness. The work is most encouraging, and the people seem fully to appreciate having a resident clergyman. I am quite convinced that the future growth of the Church here depends largely on there being a priest living in the Parish.

AUG. PRIME, *Rector.*

ST. ANDREW'S MISSION, NORWOOD.

Rector. The Rev. Augustus Prime.

Warden. John Raymond.

Clerk and Treasurer. J. Rodee.

*Parochial.*

Families, 20 ; Individuals (Adults, 35, Children, 33), 68 ; Communicants, last reported, 20, admitted, 1, present number recorded, 21, actually communicating, 10 ; Public Services (Sundays, 40, Other Days, 7), 47 ; Holy Communion (public, 7, private, 3), 10 ; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 35 ; Catechizing, number of children, 25 ; number of times, 7.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms' and Subscriptions, \$129.03 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$38.75 ; for seats and Chapel furniture, \$31.02 ; paid for Organ, \$57.50. Total, \$256.80.

*Property.*

Organ and Church Furniture, \$88.52.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$100.

*Remarks.*

I took charge of this Mission on August 1st. Since then regular services and Sunday School have been held on Sunday afternoons. The congregations and number of scholars in Sunday School have increased largely since we moved into another hall in a more central position.

I have great pleasure in saying that the Mission is now free of debt. My own stipend, too, has been regularly paid. The people, I think, are beginning to take more interest in Church work, and there is an encouraging prospect of the Church's future, if only regular ministrations are kept up.

AUG. PRIME.

TRINITY CHURCH, GOUVERNEUR.

Rector. The Rev. B. R. Kirkbride.

Wardens. Aaron B. Cutting, Duncan G. Wood.

Vestrymen. Geo. B. Winslow, James W. Ormiston, Frank H. Smith, J. Wilbur Barbour, Bradley L. Barney, Frank B. Sherman, James M. Spencer, Jr., John McCarty.

*Parochial Reports.**Parochial.*

Families, 32; Individuals (Adults, 80, Children, 51), 131; Baptisms, Infants, 9; Marriages, 1; Burials, 3; Communicants, last reported, 124, removed, 5, present number recorded, 124, actually communicating, 37, Public Services (Sundays, 30, Holy Days, 6, Other Days, 17), 63, Holy Communion (public, 17, private, 1), 18, Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 25; Catechizing, number of children, 25.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$33.25; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$751; Sunday School, \$25; On Parish Debt, etc., by the ladies, \$274.59. **Total, \$1,083.84.**

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$13.43; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.51; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$3.10; General Expenses of Diocese, \$12.50. **Total, \$50.53.**

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$3.24; Foreign Missions, \$5.25. **Total, \$8.49.**  
**Total amount of Offerings, \$1,142.86.**

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,200. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 900; all free.

*Remarks.*

From May until July 12th, the Parish was without the service of a clergyman. The number of laymen is very small; but they have done nobly in continuing the services in dark times; and that the ladies in the last two years have contributed nearly \$450 for Parish expenses proves their energy and interest. The lady to whom a life rent of \$150 per annum was paid on the Rectory and lot, died this summer, so that now the property is the unincumbered possession of the Parish.

Our indebtedness amounts to between \$50 and \$100. Very little has been done during the past year in the way of Offerings for Missions; but the Rector has a subscription in hand which promises to be large, for the ensuing year.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MASSENA.**

Rector. The Rev. Joshua N. T. Goss.

Lay Reader. George A. Snaith.

Wardens. Harvey H. Chittenden, Henry T. Clark.

Vestrymen. George A. Snaith, John O. Bridges, Harry F. Crooks, Joseph E. Clary, Allen B. Phillips, Henry Mulholland.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms, Infants, 10; Marriages, 7; Burials, 4; Communicants, last reported, 88, admitted, 5, died, 2, removed 2, present number recorded, 89; Public Services, once every Lord's Day, Holy Days, Greater Festivals twice, others once, Wednesdays and Fridays during Lent, and daily Passion Week, Other Days, every Friday evening; Holy Communion, public, first Sunday in the month, Greater Festivals, Advent and Lent, every morning service, private, several

times ; Sunday School, teachers and officers, 12, pupils, 68 ; Catechizing, number of children, 68 ; every morning service.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$40.63 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$271.69 ; Sunday School, \$40.46. Total, \$352.78.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions (Sunday School, \$30.50), \$81.00 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; Diocesan Fund, \$16.50. Total, \$103.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$456.28.

*Property.*

Other Property, \$350. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 160 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

The Rector has also to report one Baptism (infant), and two Burials, for All Saints' Mission, Barnhart's Island, which are not included in the above.

GRACE MISSION, LOUISVILLE LANDING.

Rector. The Rev. Joshua N. T. Goss.

Lay Reader. Royal B. Stearns.

Warden. Royal B. Stearns.

Treasurer. Franklin I. Sutton.

Clerk. Barkley McPherson.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 18, Infants, 13), 31 ; Confirmed, 16 ; Burials, 6 ; Communicants, admitted, 16, received, 3, present number recorded, 19 ; Public Services, Holy Days, occasionally ; Other Days, every Thursday evening ; Holy Communion, public, occasionally on Festival days.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$19.89 ; Gift to Rector, \$30. Total, \$49.89.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$45.

Total amount of Offerings, \$94.89.

TRINITY CHAPEL, MORLEY.

Missionary. The Rev. Charles S. Olmsted.

Warden. T. L. Harison.

Treasurer. N. P. Whitney.

Clerk. G. I. Goodell.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 12, Infants, 19), 31 ; Confirmed, 12 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 10 ; Churchings, 1 ; Communicants, last reported, 78, admitted, 14, died, 3, removed, 2, present number recorded, 87, actually communicating, 82 ; Public Services (Sundays, 100, Holy Days, 57, Other Days, 53), 210 ; Holy Communion (public, 20, private, 3), 23 ; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 70 ; Catechizing, number of children, 70 ; number of times, about 40.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$35.50 ; Current Expenses, including

Salaries, \$618.85 ; Sunday School, \$36.42 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$10 ; for Sunday School, \$6.27 ; Other Expenses, \$6.18 ; Total, \$707.72.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$50.67 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; Diocesan Fund, \$12.50 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$6.50 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$4.60 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5.45 ; Convocation, Ogdensburgh Fund, \$5. Total, \$90.72.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$3.25 ; Foreign Missions, \$3.25. Total, \$6.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$804.94.

#### ST. PHILIP'S MISSION, MADRID.

Missionary. The Rev. Charles S. Olmsted.

##### *Parochial.*

Communicants, last reported, 14, admitted, 2, removed, 1, present number recorded, 15 ; Confirmed, 3 (1 from Canada) ; Baptisms, Adults, 1 ; Public Services (Sundays, 19, Other Days, 2), 21 ; Holy Communion, public, 2.

##### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, \$51.21.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$2.40.

Total amount of Offerings, \$53.61.

#### ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, LAWRENCEVILLE.

Rector. The Rev. Norman H. Burnham, B. A.

Warden. Wm. Kingston.

##### *Parochial.*

Families, 23 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 2), 3 ; Confirmed, 5 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 3 ; Communicants, last reported, 33, received, 2, present number recorded, 35, actually communicating, 31 ; Public Services (Sundays, 33, Holy Days, 1, Other Days, 6), 40 ; Holy Communion, public, 16 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 40 ; Catechizing, number of times, 4.

##### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$15.53 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$159. Total, \$174.53.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$3.09.

General.—Foreign Missions, \$1.

Total amount of Offerings, \$178.62.

##### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$125.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175 ; all free.

##### *Remarks.*

There is much need of more frequent services in this Parish, and a Resident Rector or Rector's "Assistant." In other respects the Parish is in a good condition. A number of services have been held, while the Parish was without a Rector, by a Clergyman temporarily residing in it, and who kindly consented to officiate.

**Warren County.****CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, GLEN'S FALLS.**

Rector. The Rev. Russell A. Olin.

Wardens. William Aug. Wait, Leonard Ganzevoort McDonald.

Vestrymen. George H. Bassinger, Louis P. Jewet, Isaac Buswel, William A. Robbins, Henry Crandall, Daniel Peck, John W. Benson.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 14, Infants, 21), 35; Marriages, 7, Burials, 14; Communicants, last reported, 200, admitted, 6, received, 24, died, 2, removed, 4, present number recorded, 224, actually communicating, 224; Public Services (Sundays, 92, Holy Days, 15, Other Days, 76), 183; Holy Communion (public, 14, private, 3), 17; Sunday School, teachers, 21, pupils, 155; Catechizing, number of children, 155, number of times, 46. Sunday School at Harrisena: Teachers, 3, Pupils, 25.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$44.25; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,704.42; Sunday School, \$103.83; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$371.18; Poor of Parish, \$36.46, Sunday School Library, \$27.70, on Parish Debt, \$156.85; Other Items, \$14.20. Total, \$2,458.89.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$117.59; Salary of the Bishop, \$24; Diocesan Fund, \$32; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$7.17; Increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$8.36; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$9.50; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$14.42. Total, \$213.04.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$10; Foreign Missions, \$7.73. Total, \$17.73.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,689.66.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$15,000.

Indebtedness, \$277.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,400.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 320.

*Remarks.*

Nearly \$2,000 have been expended in improvement of the Church property. \$1,367.74, standing to the credit of the Rectory Fund, were transferred, under resolution of the Vestry, to the Building Fund, and applied toward the payment of the expenses so incurred. \$300 have been otherwise paid, and the balance represents the Parish debt, as above.

**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, LAKE GEORGE.**

Rector. The Rev. Charles H. Lancaster.

Wardens. Hiram Wood, Henry H. Hayden.

Vestrymen. George H. Cramer, Frederick Tucker, S. R. Archibald, Walter Welch, George Bates, Jerome Hubbel, Kleber Burlingame, James Crandal.

*Parochial.*

Individuals (Adults, 98, Children, 62), 160; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 6), 7; Confirmed, 6; Marriages, 1; Communicants, last reported, 50, admitted, 5.

celved, 2, removed, 2, present number recorded, 56; Public Services (Sundays, 168, Holy Days, 24, Other Days, 170), 362; Holy Communion (public, 80, private, 2), 82; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 38.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,036.42; Sunday School, \$15; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$278.70. Total, \$1,330.31.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000. Condition of Property, excellent.

Indebtedness, Mortgage on Rectory, \$1,600.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; all free.

*Remarks.*

During the past year the new Rectory grounds have been graded and terraced, and the windows of the new building furnished with venetian blinds. The Church lot has also been inclosed with a neat and substantial fence. In accordance with the resolution passed at the last Convention, the following card of services in St. James' Church, Lake George, is appended.

Sunday Services.—Celebration of Holy Communion (except on first Sunday in month), 8 A. M.; Morning Prayer, Litany and Sermon (except on first Sunday in month), 10:30 A. M.; Evening Prayer and Sermon, 7:30 P. M.; First Sunday in the month, Litany, 8 A. M., Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion, 10:30 A. M.

Week Day Services.—Saints' Days, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, 10 A. M.; Fridays, Evening Prayer and Lecture, 7:30 P. M.; all other days (in Summer season), Morning Prayer, 10 A. M.

In addition to the above, services are held in S. Sacrament Church, Bolton, in the Summer, and French Mountain School-house in the Winter, at 8 P. M.; at the latter place, also, occasionally during the Summer.

**S. SACRAMENT CHURCH, BOLTON.**

Rev. Charles H. Lancaster, Priest in charge.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 2), 3; Burial, 1; Public Services, 14.

*Offerings.*

Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$117.10; Salary of Bishop, \$10. Total, \$127.10.

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, WARRENSBURGH.**

Rector. The Rev Wm. H. Ogden.

Wardens. Fredk. O. Burhans, Henry Griffing.

Vestrymen. Halsey B. Hayes, Moses Sutton, Duncan Griffin, George A. Schneider, Alphonso Young, Richard J. Whitby, Frank Schneider.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 5), 6, Confirmed, 4; Marriages, 2, Burials, 6; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 77, admitted, 2, received, 4, died, 1, removed, 4, present number recorded, 78, actually communicating, 71; Pub-

lic Services (Sundays, 165, Holy Days, 43, Other Days, 548), 756; Holy Communion (public, 63, private, 5), 68; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 40; Catechizing, number of children, 40; number of times, 26.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$986.48; Sunday School, \$30; for Organist, \$36. Total, \$1,052.48.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$39.24; Salary of the Bishop, \$32; Diocesan Fund, \$20; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4.04; the Child's Hospital, \$12.10. Total, \$107.38.

General.— Domestic Missions, \$8.47; Foreign Missions, \$4; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$2. Total, \$14.47.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,174.33.

*Property*

Condition of Property, very good.

Indebtedness, \$7.62.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$850.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 125; all free.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, LUZERNE.

Priest in Charge. The Rev. Wm. H. Phillips.

*Parochial.*

Families, 18; Individuals (Adults, 26, Children, 18), 44; Baptisms, Infants, 8; Confirmed, 1; Burials, 3; Communicants, admitted, 1, present number recorded, 18, actually communicating, 15; Public Services (Sundays, 45, Holy Days, 5, Other Days, 20), 70; Holy Communion (public, 20, private, 1), 21; Sunday School, teachers, 2, pupils, 15, Catechizing, number of times, 15.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$65.45; Current Expenses, \$321.49; Sunday School, \$14.03. Total, \$400.97.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$11.28; Salary of the Bishop, \$3; for the debt of the Missionary Board, \$3.87. Total, \$18.15.

General.— Objects exterior to the Diocese, to Cuba, \$0.57.

Total amount of Offerings, \$419.69.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000.

Condition of Property, unfinished.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$450.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300; all free.

*Remarks.*

Whole amount of offerings of parishioners from June 1, 1879, to January 12, 1880, \$8.53; Sunday School offerings, \$4.36; all expended in the Sunday School. Offerings for support of the Mission, other than Communion alms, \$321.49.

GOOD SHEPHERD MISSION, CHESTERTOWN.

Missionary. The Rev. Aubrey F. Todrig.

Warden. Ralph Thurman.

Clerk. A. Armstrong, Jr.

Treasurer. Waite Meads.



*Parochial.*

Families, 9; Individuals (Adults, 85, Children, 13), 48; Baptisms, Infants, 2; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 16, died, 1, present number recorded, 15; Public Services (Sundays, 49, Holy Days, 2, Other Days, 6), 57; Holy Communion, public, 12; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 21; Catechizing, number of children, 21; number of times, 6.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$459.51.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$5; Salary of the Bishop, \$2. Total, \$7.

Total amount of Offerings, \$466.51.

*Property.*

Church and Lot and Furniture, \$1,400.

Amount of Salary pledged Missionary, \$400.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 72; all free:

*Remarks.*

The average attendance of the congregation from Easter to close of the year has been 28.

**CHRIST CHURCH, POTTERSVILLE.**

Missionary. The Rev. Aubrey F. Todrig.

Wardens. Henry Thompson, Orville Scott.

Vestrymen. Nicholas Bibby, Edward Rawlins, Amos Agard, Andrew Van Benthuyzen, Cyrus Kipp, James Vosburgh, George Bibby, Isaac Mills.

*Parochial.*

Families, 12; Individuals (Adults, 84, Children, 10), 44; Burials, 2; Communicants, 18; Public Services, Sunday, 26.

*Remarks.*

Although not formally appointed to the charge of Pottersville, by the Board of Missions, I have given the people of Christ Church a service on my way from Chestertown to Schroon. The average attendance of the congregation for twenty-six Sundays has been 28. The Vestry did me the honor of electing me as their Rector.

**Washington County.****ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.**

Rector. The Rev. J. B. Trevett.

Wardens. Henry C. Day, Robert Davis.

Vestrymen. Thomas Le Grys, J. F. Niver, M. D., Charles T. Hawley, Dennis Smith, B. Morgan Deuel.

*Parochial.*

Families, 27; Individuals (Adults, 66, Children, 59), 125; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 5), 7; Confirmed, 3; Marriages, 2; Burials, 2; Communicants, last reported, 56, admitted, 3, received, 3, removed, 4, present number recorded,

58, actually communicating, 57 ; Public Services (Sundays, 106, Holy Days, 22, Other Days, 18), 146 ; Holy Communion, public, 17 ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 31 ; Catechizing, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$474.46 ; Sunday School, \$10.11 ; Christmas Tree, \$31.95 ; Interest on Church Debt, \$33.90, Sunday School Library, \$45, Church Debt, \$100, Ladies' Festival, \$66, Other Objects, \$89.96. Total, \$850.37.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$20 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$6 ; Diocesan Fund, \$6 ; The Child's Hospital, \$4.00. Total, \$36.00.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$4.97. Total, \$4.97.

Total amount of Offerings, \$891.84.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$7,500. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness.—Rectory Lot, \$370 ; Organ, \$125.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$400.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

During the past year, through the kindness of a friend of the Parish, we have been enabled to pay off \$100 of Church debt. This same friend has also carpeted the Church throughout, besides covering the vestibule of the Church with oil-cloth. Two cocoa mats have also been presented by the same. Another kind friend has given us sufficient material to recover the greater part of the cushions of the pews. Two handsome lights for the lectern have also been presented by the same. Another friend has given us \$20 toward a new Sunday School Library, to which \$20 was added by another friend.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, FORT EDWARD.

Rector. The Rev. Fenwick M. Cookson.

Wardens. Walter Rogers, Philander C. Hitchcock.

Vestrymen. Buel Ruggles, Thos. R. Wade, Jas. Kinne, Geo. W. Little, Levi Olmstead, Francis B. Davis, A. A. Van Loon, Abram Wing.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 9, Infants, 20), 29, Confirmed, 12 ; Marriages, 2 ; Burials, 11 ; Communicants, last reported, 157, admitted, 4, received, 1, died, 3, removed, 9, present number recorded, 150 ; Public Services (Sundays, 101, Holy Days, 18, Other Days, 83), 202 ; Holy Communion (public, 20, private, 3), 23 ; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 125 ; Catechizing, number of children, Sunday School ; number of times, weekly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,452.39 ; Sunday School, \$76.05 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$476.22 ; For the Poor, \$20. Total, \$2,024.66.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$60.93 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$30 ; Diocesan Fund, \$25 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, by Sunday School, \$51.40 ; The Child's Hospital, by Sunday School, \$10 ; Educational, \$105. Total, \$282.88.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, by Sunday School, \$11; Indian Missions, by Sunday School, \$14.50; Cuba Guild, \$2. Total, \$27.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$3,334.49.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$7,500. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness, on Parsonage Lot, unprovided for, \$800.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000, and part rental of Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300; all free.

*Remarks.*

\$800 of the amount for "Improvement of Church Property," was a legacy from Mrs. Walter Rogers, who died in March last.

**TRINITY CHURCH, GRANVILLE.**

Rector. The Rev. William M. Pickslay.

Wardens. Palmer D Everts, J. S. Warren.

Vestrymen. R. C. Betts, George Tobey, J. W. Thompson, George W. Henry, Amos Wilcox.

*Parochial.*

Families, 20; Baptisms, Infants, 4; Confirmed, 9; Marriages, 8; Burials, 1; Communicants, present number recorded, 24; Public Services (Sundays, 92, Holy Days, 9, Other Days, 25), 126; Holy Communion, public, 17; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 40; Catechizing, number of children, 40; number of times, 40.

*Offerings.*

Parochial. Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$462.93; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$23. Total, \$485.93.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$11.95; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5. Total, \$16.95.

Total amount of Offerings, \$502.88.

*Remarks.*

Since the first of October, owing to the ill health of the Rector, the services have been conducted by the Rev. W. C. Prout, Missionary at North Granville.

**MISSION, NORTH GRANVILLE.**

Missionary. The Rev. Wm. C. Prout.

Lay Reader. Mr. Frederick Thompson.

*Parochial.*

Families, 11; Individuals (Adults, 88, Children, 41), 79; Baptisms, Adults, 8; Confirmed, 7; Burials, 2; Communicants, present number recorded, 82; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 10, Other Days, 41), 155; Holy Communion (public, 12, private, 8), 15; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 43.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$203.67; Furniture in Odd Fellows' Hall, \$25.94; Organ, \$158.48. Total, \$388.09.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$5.08; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$12.90; the Child's Hospital, \$5. Total, \$23.98.

Total amount of Offerings, \$420.07.

*Remarks.*

Of the "Individuals" reported above, twenty-nine are cadets and eight are teachers or other employees of the Granville Military Academy. Of the communicants reported, twelve are in the Academy.

The success of this Mission is principally owing to the wise and faithful labors of Mr. Frederick Thompson, Lay Reader.

Services are held in the Odd Fellows' Hall, which we rent for that use.

As Chaplain of the Granville Military Academy, it has been my duty to say prayers in the school every evening, and as far as I could do so, to look after the spiritual welfare of the cadets.

**ZION CHURCH, SANDY HILL.**

Rector. The Rev. Charles T. Whittemore.

Wardens. John H. Beach, Charles H. Beach.

Vestrymen. E. H. Crocker, J. W. Wait, C. T. Beach, A. B. Davis, B. G. Knapp, Wm. Howe, A. W. Bostwick, S. H. Parks.

*Parochial.*

Families, 69 ; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 18), 14 ; Confirmed, 6 ; Marriages, 8 ; Burials, 7 ; Communicants, last reported, 118, admitted, 5, received, 2, died, 5, present number recorded, 120, actually communicating, 108 ; Public Services (Sundays, 108, Holy Days, 4, Other Days, 86), 193 ; Holy Communion (public, 19, private, 8), 22 ; Sunday School, teachers, 10 ; Catechizing, number of times, 24.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,059.86 ; Sunday School, \$32 ; Church books and leaflets, \$25.50 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$95.19 ; Church debt and interest on same, \$311.70 ; Organist, \$40. Total, \$1,568.75.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$40.58 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$30 ; Diocesan Fund, \$20 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$8.79 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$23.97. Total, \$123.34.

General.—Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$16.20.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,708.29.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth) \$10,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 800 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

Besides the regular services, there were fourteen held during the summer, at a Mission six miles distant.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, SALEM.**

Rector. The Rev. John H. Houghton, B. A.

Wardens. James Gibson, George B. McCartee.

Vestrymen. John M. Williams, Solomon W. Russell, Frederick Kegler, Alfred K. Broughton, Frederick Linsenbarth, Daniel B. Cole, James Gibson, Jr., David Mahaffy.

*Parochial.*

Families, 44 ; Individuals (Adults, 111, Children, 138), 249 ; Baptisms (Adults, 8, Infants, 5), 8 ; Confirmed, 9 ; Marriages, 5 ; Burials, 8 ; Churching, 2 ;

nicants, last reported, 62, admitted, 6, received, 5, removed, 7, present number recorded, 62, actually communicating, 60; Public Services (Sundays, twice, Holy Days, all, Other Days, 100), 801; Holy Communion (public, 45, private, 1), 46; Sunday School (teachers, 6, pupils, 78), 84; Catechizing, number of children, whole School, number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$81.03; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,190.40; Sunday School, \$89.99; Parish School, \$2,160.14; Grues, etc., Altar, \$10.87. Total, \$3,481.98.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$88.16; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Diocesan Fund, \$18.75; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$10; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$6.88; Theological Education, \$75. Total, \$218.74.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$12.50; Foreign Missions, \$12.50; for Christianity among Jews, \$7.86. Total, \$32.86.

Total amount of Offerings, \$3,728.58.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000; Other Property (Parish Building), \$1,000. Condition of Property, most excellent.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$750.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; number rented, 100; number free, 150.

*Remarks.*

At Easter-tide the Church lot was extended 150 feet toward the south-east, measuring now 450x167 feet. A Parish building was begun June 3, a structure 70x25 feet, for general purposes, which is now roofed in and upper room finished, at a cost of about \$1,300. A committee of the citizens presented to the Parish, to be used in the construction of "The Fountain of Salem," \$150. This marble top basin stands directly in front of the Parish building, having a jet, from a perpetual spring, 16 feet in height. A debt of \$750 was discharged at Easter, so that the Parish is without incumbrance of any sort.

On high festivals and on the first Sunday of the month, the Morning Prayer is said at 9:30 and the Communion Office at 11.

**TRINITY CHURCH, WHITEHALL.**

**Rector.** The Rev. James E. Hall.

**Wardens.** James A. Conery, J. Henry Greenough.

**Vestrymen.** H. Morris, H. W. Dickenson, Jeremiah Adams, R. Doig, Jr., T. A. Patterson, J. D. Culver, A. H. Tanner, W. F. Bascom.

*Parochial.*

Families, 94; Individuals (Adults, 240, Children, 100), 340; Baptisms (Adults, 7, Infants, 20), 27; Confirmed, 14; Marriages, 6; Burials, 7; Communicants, last reported, 99, admitted, 15, received, 2, present number recorded, 129, actually communicating, 124; Public Services (Sundays, 108, Holy Days, 63, Other Days, 12), 183; Holy Communion (public, 30, private, 3), 33; Catechizing, number of children, whole School, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$76.82; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,100; Sunday School, \$40. Total, \$1,216.82.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$45.61, from Communion Alms, as above ; Salary of the Bishop, \$14 ; Diocesan Fund, \$18 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.25 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$1.25 ; the Child's Hospital, \$2.50. Total, \$37.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,253.32.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$8,000. Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 800 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

In August I said Morning Prayer, Litany and Ante-Communion two Sundays at Sabbath-Day Point, Lake George, and Evening Prayer once at the same place, and once at Hulett's Landing, and preached three times. At one of the services the Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop of Springfield, Ill. On Septuagesima and Low Sundays I said Evening Prayer and preached at North Granville.

## REPORT OF THE CHURCH HOME IN THE CITY OF TROY.

*To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany :*

The Trustees of the Church Home in the city of Troy respectfully report.

At the date of our last report there were thirteen inmates of the Home, but two of them have not been resident during the year. Another left to return to friends ; and one, Mrs. Mary Bradley, died on the 28d of December, aged 78 years. Four new inmates have been admitted, so that the present number actually resident is thirteen. The health of the institution has been uniformly good, the only serious illnesses having been those incident to the advanced age of some of the inmates.

The building belonging to the Corporation is, as may readily be seen, more like a private residence in its plan and equipment than like an ordinary public institution. This is in accordance with the purpose of the Trustees and of the supporters of the Home, to provide especially for persons of superior position, to whom other Charities would be unsuitable, if not degrading, but who yet, either for want of means, or in consequence of not having relatives with whom to live, cannot have elsewhere the comfort and sympathy that they find here. There are, therefore, but few rules, and those only such as are needed in any well ordered family, and to enable so large a number to live pleasantly together. The Trustees are indebted to the matron, Mrs. Putnam, and to the Ladies' Committee for the good management of the Home.

The death, last summer, of Mrs. Caroline E. T. Lane, who was for many years actively interested in this, as in every other form of charity in the city, and was always among its most liberal benefactors, has taken from us one of our earliest and best friends, leaving to us the memory of a most amiable character and worthy example.

The inmates of the Home, being connected with their own parishes in the city, are considered as under the pastoral care of the clergy of those parishes ; but the four clerical members of the Board take it in turn to act as Chaplains, holding weekly services, and occasionally administering the Holy Communion.

The receipts of the Home in money, beside many other gifts, have been during the year as follows :

From offertories and subscriptions ..	\$1,887 03
From income of permanent fund (\$8,825).....	469 00
From payments on account of inmates.....	245 88
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There has also been added to the permanent fund the sum of.....	\$750 00
The expenses have been....	1,917 17
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Very respectfully,

JOSEPH W. FULLER, *President.*

TROY, January 12, 1890.

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## PERSONAL REPORTS.

SANDY HILL, N. Y., Jan. 12, 1890.

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop*—During the past year I have been engaged in teaching a small school in this place. I have occasionally assisted my brethren of the Clergy in the neighborhood, and in some other places, in the different offices of the Church.

Most respectfully yours,

SAMUEL B. BOSTWICK.

ROXBURY, BOSTON, Feb. 12, 1890.

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop*—I hasten to give you an account of my work since ordination.

During the summer of 1879, I assisted my father, Rev. Dr. Burrows, in the Church of the Evangelist and its Mission, at Oswego, Central New York.

Upon returning to the Seminary I found that I was not strong enough to go on with the work, so with your approval, and that of the Dean, I left for the year.

Since the 27th of December, I have been assisting the Rev. Geo. S. Converse, in the Parish of St. John's, Boston Highlands, Boston, Diocese of Massachusetts.

I have preached fifteen times since my ordination to the Diaconate, and have officiated at one funeral.

I remain, *Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,*

Most respectfully your servant,

W. B. BURROWS.

*To the Rt. Rev. WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S. T. D., Bishop,*

*Diocese of Albany, Bishop's House, Albany, N. Y.*

*To the Rt. Rev. WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S. T. D.:*

*My Dear Bishop*—For the past year I desire to report that I have attended closely to the discharge of my duties as Master of St. John's High School, Ogdensburg, and that I have also performed all clerical duty which occasion has required, and always hold myself in readiness to perform any needed ministerial functions.

I am very respectfully yours,

GEO. C. GRISWOLD.

UTICA, Nov. 26, 1879.

*To the Rt. Rev. W. C. DOANE, Bishop, Diocese of Albany :*

*My Dear Bishop* — Since my report at the last Convention, I have had charge for three months, of the American Church, Geneva, Switzerland, and from that time to the present have been officiating in different Parishes in the Diocese of Albany, and of Central New York. Was transferred this week from the former Diocese to the latter.

During the year I have officiated at one hundred and thirty-two services ; preached sixty-one times ; celebrated Holy Communion nine times ; buried the bodies of two persons, and addressed children four times.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT GRANGER.

17 W. 42D STREET, NEW YORK, Jan. 12, 1880.

*To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany :*

The Rev. Jas. Hutchings Brown respectfully reports, that being without duty in the Navy, he has assisted on many occasions, within the last twelvemonth, the Clergy of Brooklyn and New York. And has also given such aid as practicable, to various Clergy of the Diocese of Albany, during last summer and autumn.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 8, 1880.

*To the Rt. Rev. Wm. C. DOANE, S. T. D., Bishop of Diocese of Albany :*

I would respectfully state, that from the last convention, viz.: of 1879, up to the time of my resignation of St. Peter's Church, Hobart, Sept. 20, 1879, there have been eight baptisms, viz.: three adults, five children. Seven have been confirmed, two communicants lost by death, three funerals have been attended. Services once each week on Friday Evening, and twice on the Lord's day. The Holy Communion has been administered the first Sunday of each month, and at its close the Sunday School regularly catechized. Quite a number of new books have been added to the Sunday School library. My first Sunday in Albany, at your request, I assisted Rev. Mr. Smith at Holy Innocents. Four Sundays I assisted the Rev. Geo. Fisher, at Stockport and Stottsville. Then took up the work at Fonda, Canajoharie and Fort Plain, this to continue to be until spring opens.

I remain yours very respectfully,

BENJAMIN T. HALL.

CLINTON PRISON, CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE,

DANNEMORA, N. Y., January 1, 1880.

*To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany :*

I would respectfully report that during the past year I have been steadily at work in my position as Chaplain of Clinton Prison.

Outside of the prison grounds there is located a small village. I have held service there frequently, with a good attendance and a decided interest, with what result remains to be seen.

In the course of my work outside I have baptized four infants and attended two funerals.

I remain yours very truly,

J. W. MOLLWAIN.

SAN JOSÉ, CALIFORNIA, December 24, 1879.

*To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany :*

My report to the present scarcely varies from that to the preceding Conven-



tion. During the past year I have rendered to the Rector of Trinity Church, San José, such assistance as I could, reading in the Church portions of the Church service; but I am compelled to avoid, as far as possible, all mental labor and care.

EDWARD PIDSLEY.

OGDENSBURGH, *January 18, 1880.*

*Rt. Rev. Dear Sir* — I send my report for the year past. I have very little to put in it. Oh! that I were as in the years past. I have done what I could. I have from time to time assisted in the public offices, but always with the fear I might collapse and make confusion. In private I have improved opportunities to comfort those who mourn, and to point the weary and heavy laden to the heavenly rest. Thank God they serve Him, too, who merely stand and wait.

H. R. PETERS.

PARISH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,  
STOCKPORT, N. Y., *January 12, 1880.*

*To the Rt. Rev. WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S. T. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Albany:*

*Rt. Rev. Sir* — I beg leave to report that I have fulfilled such duties in the Parish and various services of the Church as the Rector has required of me during the year past.

Very respectfully yours,

W. BENJAMIN REYNOLDS,  
*Deacon.*

The Rev. W. A. Rich, Missionary for Cranberry Lake and parts adjacent, residing at Canton, St. Lawrence county, has, during the past year, visited his Mission in the Wilderness on nine occasions, spending there in all a little more than six weeks, and has traveled, in going and returning, 498 miles.

The people within his Missionary ground are, with few exceptions, extremely poor, earning a precarious subsistence by lumbering, hunting and a little farming. The Missionary, living at a distance from these poor people, is able to do but little for them. But, at least, on his occasional visits he gladdens the hearts of the children by gifts of various kinds; and though he attempts no systematic instruction, he trusts that here and there seeds may have been sown which, with God's help, may bring forth fruit in due season.

His Missionary work, such as it is, is carried on entirely at his own expense. When at home he attends divine worship with his family in the Parish Church. He has officiated at two burials within the Parish, and at two within his mission.

*To the Rt. Rev. WILLIAM CROSWELL DOANE, D. D., Bishop of Albany:*

I have the honor to submit the following report of my work during the last year.

From January to June I pursued my studies at the General Theological Seminary, doing occasional Sunday work.

After my ordination to the Priesthood, for a few weeks, I held services in the vacant Parish of Otego, and about the first of September accepted a position on the Faculty of St. Stephen's College, Annandale, where I remained until I accepted a call to the Rectorship of Christ Church, Walton, Delaware county. I began my work in Walton on the first Sunday after Epiphany.

Faithfully yours,

SCOTT B. RATHBUN.

(C.)

**LIST OF PARISHES IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION  
OF THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY, WITH THE DATES OF  
THEIR ADMISSION.**

**ALBANY COUNTY.**

St. Peter's, Albany, 1787 ; Trinity, Rensselaerville, 1811 ; St. Paul's, Albany, 1829, with St. Paul's Chapel, Albany ; St. John's, Cohoes, 1831 ; Trinity, West Troy, 1834 ; Trinity, Albany, 1840 ; Grace, Albany, 1846 ; Holy Innocents, Albany, 1850 ; St. Mark's, Green Island, 1867 ; Cathedral of All Saints, Albany, 1874.

**CLINTON COUNTY.**

Trinity, Plattsburgh, 1830 ; Christ, Rouses Point, 1853 ; St. John's, Champlain, 1853.

**COLUMBIA COUNTY.**

Christ, Hudson, 1794, with All Saints' Chapel, Hudson ; St. John's, Stockport, 1845, with St. Barnabas' Chapel, Stottville ; St. Paul's, Kinderhook, 1851 ; St. John's, Copake, 1853 ; Trinity, Claverack, 1856.

**DELAWARE COUNTY.**

St. Peter's, Hobart, 1796 ; St. John's, Delhi, 1822 ; Christ, Walton, 1831 ; St. Paul's, Franklin, 1866 ; Christ, Deposit, 1871.

**ESSEX COUNTY.**

Of the Cross, Ticonderoga, 1840 ; St. John's, Essex, 1853 ; St. Paul's, Keeseville, 1853 ; Christ, Port Henry, 1873.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY.**

St. Mark's, Malone, 1831 ; St. Peter's, Brush's Mills, 1870 ; St. John's, Chateaugay, 1875.

**FULTON COUNTY.**

St. John's, Johnstown, 1796.

**GREENE COUNTY.**

St. Luke's, Catskill, 1801 ; Christ, Coxsackie, 1806 ; Trinity, Athens, 1806 ; St. Paul's, Oak Hill, 1816 ; Christ, Greeneville, 1825 ; Trinity, Windham, 1826 ; Calvary, Cairo, 1832.

**HERKIMER COUNTY.**

Trinity, Fairfield, 1807 ; Grace, Norway, 1819 ; Emmanuel, Little Falls, 1823 ; Christ, Herkimer, 1854 ; St. Augustine's, Ilion, 1870.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY.**

St. Ann's, Amsterdam, 1836 ; Zion, Fonda, 1867.

**OTSEGO COUNTY.**

Zion, Morris, 1798 ; St. Luke's, Richfield, 1803 ; St. Matthew's, Unadilla, 1810 ; Christ, Cooperstown, 1812 ; Christ, Butternuts, 1834 ; Immanuel, Otego, 1836 ; St. Timothy's, Westford, 1839 ; St. Mark's, Garrattsville, 1843 ; Grace, Cherry Valley, 1846 ; St. John's, Richfield Springs, 1850 ; St. John's, Portlandville, 1869 ; Christ, West Burlington, 1871 ; St. Paul's, East Springfield, 1871 ; St. James', Oneonta, 1877.

**RENSSELAER COUNTY.**

St. Paul's, Troy, 1807, with St. Paul's Chapel, Troy ; Trinity, Lansingburgh, 1807 ; St. John's, Troy, 1831 ; Christ, Troy, 1837 ; St. Mark's, Hoosick Falls, 1840 ; Trinity, Schaghticoke, 1846 ; Messiah, Greenbush, 1853 ; St. Luke's, Troy, 1867.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY.**

St. John's, Ogdensburgh, 1820 ; St. Paul's, Waddington, 1824 ; Christ, Morris-town, 1833 ; Trinity, Potsdam, 1835 ; Grace, Canton, 1836 ; Grace, Norfolk, 1844 ; Trinity, Gouverneur, 1869 ; St. John's, Massena, 1870 ; St. Luke's, Lisbon, 1871.

**SARATOGA COUNTY.**

Christ, Ballston Spa., 1787 ; St. John's, Stillwater, 1796 ; St. Paul's, Charlton, 1805 ; Grace, Waterford, 1810 ; St. Luke's, Mechanicville, 1830 ; Bethesda, Saratoga Springs, 1830 ; St. Stephen's, Schuylerville, 1846 ; Calvary, Burnt Hills, 1850.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY.**

Christ, Duanesburgh, 1789 ; St. George's, Schenectady, 1792 ; Christ, Schenectady, 1869.

**WARREN COUNTY.**

Messiah, Glen's Falls, 1840, with St. Paul's Chapel, Harrisena ; St. James', Caldwell, 1855 ; Holy Cross, Warrensburgh, 1865 ; St. Mary's, Luzerne, 1867.

**WASHINGTON COUNTY.**

Zion, Sandy Hill, 1813 ; Trinity, Granville, 1815 ; St. James', Fort Edward, 1845 ; St. Paul's, Salem, 1860 ; Trinity, Whitehall, 1866 ; St. Luke's, Cambridge, 1867 ; St. Paul's, Greenwich, 1875.

**ORGANIZED MISSIONS.****ALBANY COUNTY.**

Good Shepherd, Bethlehem.

**CLINTON COUNTY.**

St. Paul's, Mooer's Forks ; St. Peter's, Ellenburgh ; St. Luke's, Chazy ; St. John's, Salmon River ; all with Consecrated Buildings.

**ESSEX COUNTY.]**

Emmanuel, Mineville ; St. James', Ausable Forks, both with Consecrated Buildings ; Good Shepherd, Bloomingdale.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY.**

St. Mark's, West Bangor ; St. James', Hogansburgh ; St. John's in the Wilderness, St. Regis Lake ; St. Luke's, the Beloved Physician, Saranac Lake, all with Consecrated Buildings.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY.**

Holy Cross, Fort Plain ; Good Shepherd, Canajoharie.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY.**

Trinity Chapel, Morley ; St. Thomas', Lawrenceville, both with Consecrated Buildings ; St. Mary's, Colton ; Grace, Louisville ; St. Joseph's, West Stockholm ; All Saints', Barnhart's Island ; St. Andrew's, Norwood.

**SARATOGA COUNTY.**

St. John's, East Line.

**WARREN COUNTY.**

Good Shepherd, Chester.

**PARISHES NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.**

**COLUMBIA COUNTY.**

St. Luke's, Clermont, incorporated July 12, 1859 ; Church of our Saviour, New Lebanon, incorporated May, 1871.

**FULTON COUNTY.**

Redeemer, Northampton, incorporated 1871.

**HERKIMER COUNTY.**

Memorial Church, Middleville (not organized).

**RENSSELAER COUNTY.**

Holy Cross, Troy ; Free Church of the Ascension, Troy ; Free Church of the Epiphany, East Albany.

**SARATOGA COUNTY.**

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**SCHOHARIE COUNTY.**

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Grace Church, Crandell's Corners.

## NON-REPORTING PARISHES.

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(D.)

## ASSESSMENTS FOR THE BISHOP'S SALARY.

Received from Parishes for Assessments. Bishop's Salary for 1879.

	Parishes.	Paid Assessments.	Total.	Due.
<b>ALBANY COUNTY:</b>				
Albany .....	All Saints' Oath. Chapel	\$100 00		
	St. Peter's .....	150 00		
	St. Paul's .....	100 00		
	Trinity .....	20 00		
	Grace .....	24 00		
	Holy Innocents .....	30 00		
Cohoes .....	St. John's, Int on bond ..			
Green Island .....	St. Mark's .....	10 00		
Rensselaerville .....	Trinity .....	5 00		
West Troy .....	Trinity .....	22 00		
			\$532 00	
<b>CLINTON COUNTY:</b>				
Champlain .....	St. John's .....			\$12 00
Plattsburgh .....	Trinity .....	\$50 00		
Rouses Point .....	Christ .....			16 00
			50 00	
<b>COLUMBIA COUNTY:</b>				
Copake .....	St. John's .....	\$12 00		
Claverack .....	Trinity .....	3 00		\$3 00
Clermont .....	St. Luke's .....			6 00
Stockport .....	St. John's .....	50 00		
Hudson .....	Christ .....	60 00		
Kinderhook .....	St. Paul's .....	25 00		
Lebanon Springs .....	Our Saviour .....	6 00		
			167 00	
<b>DELAWARE COUNTY:</b>				
Delhi .....	St. John's .....	\$30 00		
Deposit .....	Christ .....	6 00		
Franklin .....	St. Paul's .....			20 00
Hobart .....	St. Peter's .....	12 00		
Walton .....	Christ .....	20 00		
			78 00	
<b>ESSEX COUNTY:</b>				
Ausable Forks .....	St. James' .....	\$16 00		
Essex .....	St. John's .....	12 00		
Keseeville .....	St. Paul's .....	10 00		
Ticonderoga .....	Church of the Cross .....			
Port Henry .....	Christ .....	6 00		
Schoon .....	St. Andrew's .....	4 00		
			54 00	
<b>FRANKLIN COUNTY:</b>				
Brush's Mills .....	St. Peter's .....	\$4 00		\$4 00
Malone .....	St. Mark's .....	30 00		
Hogansburg .....	St. James' .....			\$6 00
Chateaugay .....	St. John's .....			6 00
St. Regis Lake .....	St. John's .....	4 00		
			38 00	

## ASSESSMENTS FOR THE BISHOP'S SALARY — (Continued).

	Parishes.	Paid Assessments.	Total.	Due.
<b>FULTON COUNTY:</b>				
Johnstown .....	St. John's .....	\$40 00		
Northampton .....	Redeemer .....		\$40 00	\$6 00
<b>GREENE COUNTY:</b>				
Athens .....	Trinity .....			*20 00
Catskill .....	St. Luke's .....	\$20 00		
Cairo .....	Calvary .....	6 00		
Coxsackie .....	Christ .....			12 00
Greenville .....	Christ .....	6 00		6 00
Oak Hill .....	St. Paul's .....			12 00
Ashland .....	Trinity .....	6 00	48 00	
<b>HERKIMER COUNTY:</b>				
Fairfield .....	Trinity .....	\$12 00		
Herkimer .....	Christ .....	12 00		
Ilion .....	St. Augustine's .....	10 00		
Little Falls .....	Emmanuel .....	16 00		*14 00
Norway .....	Grace .....	6 00	56 00	
<b>MONTGOMERY COUNTY:</b>				
Amsterdam .....	St. Ann's .....	\$6 55		29 45
Fonda .....	Zion .....	12 00		
Canajoharie .....	Good Shepherd .....	6 00	24 55	
<b>OTSEGO COUNTY:</b>				
Butternuts .....	Christ .....	\$6 00		*6 00
Cooperstown .....	Christ .....	60 00		
Cherry Valley .....	Grace .....	25 00		
Morris .....	Zion .....	25 00		
Otego .....	Immanuel .....			12 00
Oneonta .....	St. James' .....	6 00		
Portlandville .....	St. John's .....	6 00		
Richfield Springs .....	St. John's .....	18 00		
E. Springfield .....	St. Paul's .....			6 00
Richfield .....	St. Luke's .....			6 00
Unadilla .....	St. Matthew's .....	20 00		
West Burlington .....	Christ .....	6 00	106 00	
<b>RENSSELAER COUNTY:</b>				
Troy .....	St. Paul's .....	\$250 00		
	St. John's .....	250 00*		
	Christ .....	125 00		
	St. Luke's .....	30 00		
	Free Church of Ascension .....	10 00		
	Holy Cross .....			*100 00
Greenbush .....	Messiah .....			20 00
Lanesburg .....	Trinity .....			*50 00
Hart's Falls .....	Trinity .....	5 00		
East Albany .....	Epiphany .....			*5 00
Hoosick Falls .....	St. Mark's .....	28 00	578 00	
<b>SARATOGA COUNTY:</b>				
Saratoga .....	Bethesda .....	\$40 00		
Burnt Hills .....	Calvary .....	12 00		
Charlton .....	St. Paul's .....			6 00
Mechanicville .....	St. Luke's .....			44 00
Ballston .....	Christ .....	36 00		
Schuylerville .....	St. Stephen's .....	6 00		
Stillwater .....	St. John's .....			5 00
Waterford .....	Grace, interest on bond .....		94 00	
<b>SCHENECTADY COUNTY:</b>				
Schenectady .....	St. George's .....	\$40 00		
	Christ .....	16 00		
Duanesburgh .....	Christ .....		50 00	170 00
<b>SCHOHARIE COUNTY:</b>				
Middleburgh .....	St. Luke's .....	\$6 00		
Sharon Springs .....	Trinity .....	20 00	26 00	
<b>ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY:</b>				
Canton .....	Grace .....	\$14 00		
Gouverneur .....	Trinity .....	20 00		
Massena .....	St. John's .....			*5 00
Morristown .....	Christ .....	16 00		5 00
Ogdensburg .....	St. John's .....	20 00		

ASSESSMENTS FOR THE BISHOP'S SALARY — (Continued).

	Parishes.	Paid As- sessments.	Total.	Due.
ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY :				
Potsdam.....	Trinity.....	\$38 00		
Waddington.....	St. Paul's.....	12 00		
Morley.....	Trinity.....	6 00		
Lisbon.....	St. Luke's.....		\$175 00	\$5 00
WARREN COUNTY :				
Bolton.....	S. Sacrament....	\$10 00		
Caldwell.....	St. James'.....			10 00
Glen's Falls.....	Messiah.....	24 00		
Luzerne.....	St. Mary's.....	6 00		
Warrensburgh.....	Holy Cross.....	32 00		
Conklingville.....	St. John's.....	6 00		
Chester.....	Good Shepherd ..	4 00	82 00	
WASHINGTON COUNTY :				
Cambridge.....	St. Luke's.....	\$8 00		
Fort Edward.....	St. James'.....	30 00		
Salem.....	St. Paul's.....	20 00		
Sandy Hill.....	Zion.....	30 00		
Whitehall.....	Trinity.....	14 00	100 00	
Collected.....			\$2,435 55	
Unpaid.....			498 45	\$498 45.
Total amount assessed.....			\$2,934 00	

\* Paid since the close of this report.                      † Paid \$40.

By cash assessments, balance, 1878 .....	\$479 70
By cash assessments, year 1879, collected.....	2,435 55
	<u>\$2,915 25</u>

To remitted J. H. VAN ANTWERP, Treasurer.

1879.	April	2.	On account, 1878 .....	\$240 70	
			do 1879.....	96 00	
					\$336 70
		10.	do 1878 .....		214 00
			do 1879 .....		50 00
		16.	do 1879 .....		200 00
	July	3.	do 1879 .....		400 53
	Oct.	8.	do 1879 .....		500 00
	Nov.	10.	do 1879 .....		275 00
1880.	Jan.	5.	do 1878 .....	\$25 00	
			do 1879 .....	600 98	
					625 98
		9.	do 1879 .....		313 02
					<u>\$2,915 25</u>

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( F. )

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* Families.....	4,828
* Individuals (Adults, 11,831, Children, 6,838, not designated, 1,130)....	19,799
Baptisms (Adults, 407, Infants, 1,497, not designated, 49) .....	1,953
Confirmations.....	1,086
Communicants (admitted, 885, received, 417, died, 212, removed, 898), present number.....	18,226
Marriages .....	409
Burials.....	900
Churchings.....	22
Sunday School teachers .....	1,255
Sunday School pupils .....	9,388
Parish School teachers .....	35
Parish School pupils.....	364

OFFERINGS.

*Parochial.*

Alms .....	\$6,915 32	
Current Expenses .....	141,877 36	
Other Purposes.....	59,475 46	
	<hr/>	\$208,268 14

*Diocesan.*

Diocesan Missions ...	\$9,666 62	
Salary of the Bishop .....	2,915 25	
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Bible and Prayer Book Society.....	357 86	
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	<hr/>	24,464 79

\* About one-quarter of the Reports do not give these items.

*General.*

General Theological Seminary .....	\$121 59	
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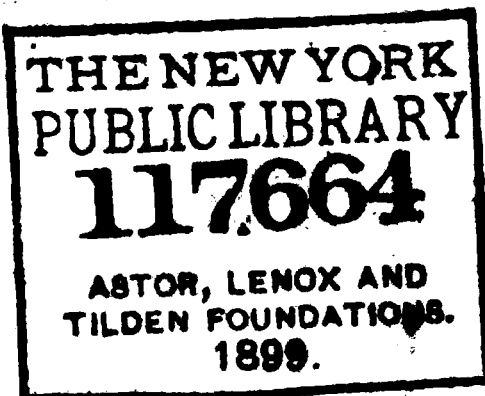
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I hereby certify the above list to be a correct list of the Clergy resident in the Diocese of Albany.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE.

*Bishop of Albany.*

ALBANY, *January 10, A. D. 1881.*

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The names of those who were not known to be present are printed in *italics*.

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	St. Peter's, Albany . . . . .	<i>John S. Perry,</i> <i>Theodore Townsend,</i> Henry T. Martin
	Trinity, Rensselaerville. . . . .	John L. Rice, <i>N. Teed,</i> Robert J. Washbon.
	St. Paul's, Albany. . . . .	John H. Van Antwerp, <i>Fitch J. Swinburne,</i> Robert Geer.
	St. John's, Cohoes. . . . .	Robert Weir, Michael Andrae, <i>Charles B. Lathc.</i>
	Trinity, West Troy. . . . .	William Hollands, <i>John H. Hulsapple,</i> <i>Frank A. Witbeck,</i>
	Trinity, Albany. . . . .	William Grey. John Pritchard, George H. Hawley.
	Grace, Albany . . . . .	John Jones. Benjamin F. Hinman, William Clerk.
	Holy Innocents, Albany. . . . .	S. M. Van Santvoord, O. D. Ball, M. D., Wm. J. Dickson, Jr.
	St. Mark's, Green Island. . . . .	R. Leonard, <i>W. H. H. DeMille,</i> Henry Stowell.
Columbia . . . . .	Christ, Hudson. . . . .	<i>John P. Wheeler, M. D.,</i> <i>Henry J. Baringer,</i> <i>Leonard J. Roseman.</i>
	St. John's, Stockport. . . . .	Gordon B. Reynolds, Frank C. Kittle, <i>Joshua Reynolds.</i>
	St. Paul's, Kinderhook . . . . .	<i>Henry S. Wynkoop,</i> Charles F. T. Beale.
	Trinity, Claverack . . . . .	Wm. H. Philip, <i>Frank P. Studley.</i>
Clinton. . . . .	Christ, Rouse's Point. . . . .	<i>David White,</i> <i>John Phillips,</i> <i>Thomas Crook.</i>
	St. John's, Champlain . . . . .	<i>James S. Smith,</i> <i>Henry Durham,</i> <i>James Averill, Jr.,</i>
Delaware. . . . .	St. Peter's, Hobart . . . . .	<i>Frederick S. Griffin,</i> <i>Alexander McDonald.</i>
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Essex .....	Christ, Port Henry .....	<i>William M. J. Botham,</i> <i>Theodore Tromblee, Jr.,</i> <i>Clarence E. Wolcott.</i>
Franklin .....	St. Mark's, Malone.....	<i>S. S. Williard,</i> <i>George W. Fisher,</i> <i>David Webster.</i>
Fulton .....	St. John's, Johnstown.....	<i>A. S. Van Voast,</i> <i>Thomas Ricketts,</i> <i>James M. Dudley.</i>
Greene .....	St. Luke's, Catskill.....	<i>Charles B. Pinckney,</i> <i>Wm. L. Dubois,</i> <i>Walton Van Loan.</i>
	Trinity, Athens .....	<i>George S. Nichols,</i> <i>Henry C. Fuller,</i> <i>Samuel H. Nichols.</i>
	Calvary, Cairo .....	<i>Henry E. Hotchkiss,</i> <i>George Wickes.</i>
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	St. Augustine's, Ilion.....	<i>Richard Louis Winegar,</i> <i>Josiah Lucas Osgood,</i> <i>Abram Wicks.</i>
Montgomery ...	Zion, Fonda.....	<i>Richard H. Cushney,</i> <i>Giles H. F. Van Horne,</i> <i>Henry T. E. Brower.</i>
Otsego .....	Christ, Cooperstown .....	<i>G. Pomeroy Keese,</i> <i>David A. Avery,</i> <i>Heber White.</i>
	Christ, Butternuts.....	<i>James R. Blackman,</i> <i>William F. Ward,</i> <i>Ir. L. Ward.</i>
	Grace, Cherry Valley.....	<i>Henry Roseboom,</i> <i>A. B. Cox,</i> <i>Joseph Phelon.</i>
	St. John's, Portlandville.....	<i>Robert M. Townsend</i> <i>George A. Somers,</i> <i>M. S. Squires.</i>
	St. James', Oneonta .....	<i>John Cope,</i> <i>Henry G. Wood,</i> <i>Harvey J. Cady.</i>
Rensselaer.....	St. Paul's, Troy.....	<i>James Forsyth,</i> <i>Joseph W. Fuller,</i> <i>Charles E. Patterson.</i>
	Trinity, Lansingburgh.....	<i>Horace W. Day,</i> <i>James McQuide,</i> <i>Edgar K. Betts.</i>
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	St. Mark's, Hoosick Falls.....	<i>J. Russell Parsons,</i> <i>Stephen W. Barker,</i> <i>S. A. Skinner, M. D.</i>
	Trinity, Schaghticoke.....	<i>John Jacob Wetzel,</i> <i>Charles Albro,</i> <i>Thomas L. Doremus.</i>
	Messiah, Greenbush.....	<i>J. L. Van Valkenburgh,</i> <i>George Low,</i> <i>Wm. O. Abrams.</i>
	St. Luke's, Troy.....	<i>Stephen Atlee Hopkins,</i> <i>Samuel K. K. K.</i>

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	St. Paul's, Charlton. ....	<i>George C. Valentine,</i> <i>William Taylor,</i> <i>Robert O. Davis.</i>
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	Bethesda, Saratoga Springs .....	<i>Aaron B. Olmsted,</i> <i>Charles H. Payn,</i> <i>Charles M. Davison.</i>
	St. Stephen's, Schnylerville ....	<i>Charles S. Nelson,</i> <i>Richard Rastall,</i> <i>John W. Tibbett.</i>
	Calvary, Burnt Hills .....	<i>Calvin S. Wheeler,</i> <i>Wm. H. Wheeler,</i> <i>Edward K. Wheeler.</i>
Schenectady ...	St. George's, Schenectady .....	<i>Abraham A. Van Vorst,</i> <i>John Keys Paige,</i> <i>Henry J. Eatcourt.</i>
	Christ, Schenectady .....	<i>Samuel L. Benedict,</i> <i>David Gey,</i> <i>H. C. Van Zandt.</i>
St. Lawrence ..	St. John's, Ogdensburg .....	<i>Louis Hasbrouck,</i> <i>Stillman Foote,</i> <i>Edwin M. Holbrook.</i>
	St. Paul's, Waddington .....	<i>Seth J. Dewey,</i> <i>Silas J. Brown, M. D.,</i> <i>James J. Cooke.</i>
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	Grace, Canton .....	<i>Leslie W. Russell,</i> <i>Richard B. Ellsworth,</i> <i>Samuel C. Kerr.</i>
	Grace, Norfolk ....	<i>Edgar Foord,</i> <i>Cassius Robinson,</i> <i>Francis S. Goff.</i>
	Trinity, Gouverneur .....	<i>Duncan G. Wood,</i> <i>Aaron B. Cutting,</i> <i>John McCarty.</i>
Warren .....	Messiah, Glens Falls .....	<i>Austin W. Holden,</i> <i>Leonard G. McDonald,</i> <i>Thomas Fuller.</i>
	Holy Cross, Warrensburgh .....	<i>Fred. O. Burhans,</i> <i>Duncan Griffin,</i> <i>Frank Schneider.</i>
	St. Mary's, Luzerne .....	<i>Benjamin C. Butler,</i> <i>Stephen V. Morton,</i> <i>Thomas H. Taylor</i>
	Zion, Sandy Hill .....	<i>J. T. Outtersen</i> <i>S. H. Parks,</i> <i>C. T. Beach.</i>
Washington....	St. James', Fort Edward .....	<i>Philander C. Hitchcock,</i> <i>Thomas R. Wade,</i> <i>A. A. Van Loon.</i>
	St. Paul's, Salem .....	<i>James Gibson,</i> <i>Geo. B. McCartee,</i> <i>Thomas H. Dickson.</i>
	St. Luke's, Cambridge .....	<i>Henry C. Day,</i> <i>Thomas LeGrys,</i> <i>Charles T. Hawley.</i>

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All Saints Cathedral Chapel, Albany, N. Y.,

Tuesday, January 11, A. D., 1881.

This being the place designated by the Bishop of the Diocese and the day appointed by the Constitution, for the meeting of the Thirteenth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Albany; the Bishop, and a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in the Cathedral Chapel, Albany, at half-past ten o'clock in the morning.

The Bishop of the Diocese administered the Holy Communion, and was assisted in the service by the Rev. Archdeacons Payne, Carey, Cooke and Morrison, the Rev. Drs. Reese and Battershall, and the Registrar of the Diocese and the Secretary of the Convention.

In place of the sermon the Bishop delivered a portion of his Annual Address.

## THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

I come to you to-day, my dear brethren of the Clergy and Laity, with the double duty of setting before you the records of my work in the past year, and of bringing to you the echoes of that greater gathering of our American Church, in which your Bishop and your elected Deputies took their seats in October. It is our thirteenth Convention, and the General Convention was the twenty-ninth gathering of that representative body whose size represents, as nothing else perhaps does, the growth of the Church in the first century of its national existence. This last meeting certainly represented admirably the spirit and the strength of the Church; the "spirit of power and of love and of a sound mind," and the strength of that sort of building which is completed upon the old foundations; foundations of Catholic truth and Apostolic order which rest upon *the* Rock.

We shall take different views undoubtedly as to the relative value of results, and as to the extent of loss which grows from what the Convention failed, or refused to do. I —————



of four measures. I had greatly hoped, that some progress, at least, might be reported in the matter of the division of this great continent into Provinces. It is not a theoretical measure to my mind, and it is only a decision deferred. The cumbersome unwieldiness of the great House of Deputies, the difficulty of keeping it at business, the trouble of its entertainment, the actual inequality of representation in its constituency, are facts whose pressure grows stronger every year. They operate to hinder certain most important things. Dioceses are not created that might be, and that ought to be, for fear of increasing its size. And yet the problem of the increase of the Missionary Episcopate cannot be fully solved, till the great jurisdictions shall be encouraged to organize into Dioceses or to divide themselves into two; one Diocese and one Missionary District, dividing the expense of the Episcopate. The Provincial system is marvellously muddled in some men's minds. It is the very strongest hindrance to any usurped domination to-day, as it was always the great bulwark against the Papacy. In fact the first step towards the Roman domination was the absorption of the Provinces by the subjugation of the different Metropolitans in Italy; the truth being that at the end of the fourth century, out of twelve Provinces with independent Metropolitans, only two, Sardinia and Sicily, had not been swallowed up by the Bishop of Rome. And yet it is considered very Romish by some people. Again it is objected that it will break up the fellowship of the Church. But there is no necessary connection between the Provincial system, and any less frequency of meeting in General Convention. My own judgment is against any change except in the constituency of the House of Deputies, which should represent not Dioceses, but Provinces; and that, in a representation proportionate to the number of their clergy and communicants. And still again it is claimed, that no sufficient distinctness of duties can be assigned to the three bodies, the Diocese, the Province and the General Convention. But that is gratuitous assumption. Taking away from the Diocese the power of law-making and leaving it to be busy with its Missionary and financial affairs; giving to the Province all power of making canons involving discipline, the joint control of general funds and provincial institutions and the right to establish a Court of Appeal; and leaving to the General Convention all power to decide upon the authorized version of Holy Scripture and upon the Book of Common Prayer; to deal with the great Missionary interests; to care for foreign chaplains, and for the daily enlarging importance of our relations with Reforming Catholic Synods abroad, would simply give to each body its suitable and sufficient occupation, and secure more careful action upon the subjects with which each body had to deal. I believe the correction of mistaken notions and the manufacture of true opinion on this subject is an important duty of the *thinkers and teachers* and writers of the day; and I hope some efforts

and some effects in that direction will have been made, before the meeting of the next General Convention.

I greatly regretted, too, the failure of the two carefully considered canons on the discipline of the laity, and on Deaconesses and Sisterhoods. Of the first, it is certainly safe to say, that with our Book of Canons filled up with provisions for the discipline of Bishops and Clergy, it is time some provision were made for the *possible* case of a layman needing discipline. Besides this, there are questions of protection for the laity involved. The vagueness of the ante-communion rubric leaves too much variety of interpretation, to be safely trusted in the hands of inexperienced and untrained clergymen. And laymen have had to feel, and may have still more to feel, that in addition to the resort to the Ordinary, they will be surer of justice under a more detailed definition of causes for and processes of ecclesiastical discipline. The quieter and calmer consideration of more mature thought will change the hasty action, which, by non-concurrence, without conference and without consideration, defeated the law.

A very curious combination defeated the canon on Sisterhoods: an unwillingness on the part of some people to recognize religious orders in the Church, and the extreme anxiety of some others lest the Bishops should have some power of ruling. My own judgment has not varied from the first, as I have before put myself on record here and in the House of Bishops. To enact laws which recognize Deaconesses and ignore Sisterhoods is, in my opinion, to reflect unfairly upon the great value of associated work in women; while, on the other hand, to have the self-will of organized bodies of women choosing their own Superior, subject to foreign authority, selecting a chaplain to represent their own preferences and defying the authority of the Episcopate, is to repeat a mistake which has reacted in the case of Roman religious orders, till, through monastic and conventual assumptions, the breach came which lost England, thank God, to the Papacy; and now, in spite of their good works, has made religious orders in Italy, Germany and France, odious and obnoxious to the governments, and subjected them to civil incivilities and cruelties which they would gladly exchange, when it is too late, for Episcopal control.

Strangely enough, too, for lack of time and consistent thought, the commission to revise, or rather to examine, with reference to revision, the Constitution of the Church, was rejected by the same body which went on to create the committee to examine, with reference to enrichment, the Book of Common Prayer. Surely the integrity of the Prayer Book is more organic, even, than the Constitution of the Church, and cannot be reached in any integral way, but by constitutional changes.

Over against these failures and shortcomings  
be set the gains and advantages. And th

Shall we not speak first of the marked and marvellous contrast between the condition of the Church in America and the Church of England, as shown in this Convention? *There*, excitement, uncertainty, anxiety, cumbrous complications, difficult to untie, which bind the hands of spiritual rulers; tedious delays, which, by their waste of time, let incipient diseases run on into chronic and incurable distempers; the absence of distinctively spiritual courts; the powerlessness of ecclesiastical synods; the angry array of contending partisans; the peace of congregations at the mercy of non-resident intruders, and the pitiful and painful culmination of all, in that act which discredits and dishonors the Christianity, the religious liberty, and the civilization of the nineteenth century, of civil penalties inflicted and enforced, by courts of lay judges, upon "spiritual persons," for ecclesiastical offences! Thank God, these things are not of the essence of the Church of England, either in her glorious character as a true portion of the Catholic Church, or in her grand position as the national Church of the great Christian empire of the world. They are partly the incidents of a period of intense religious activity, and partly, the trials by which the Lord is purging the branches of the true vine "that bear fruit, that they may bring forth more fruit." We should be readier with sympathy and with prayer, than with judgment and condemnation. The Bishop of Peterborough's suggestion at the last Church Congress in Leicester, and the Bishop of Edinboro's warm recognition of the value of our synods, strengthen my judgment of two years ago, "that the hope of the future of the Church of England lies in an increased representation in Convocation, with lay representatives, and larger powers of ecclesiastical legislation; and in the division of Dioceses, with an enlarged episcopate."

*Here*, gradual and quiet processes of law, or the surer and safer powers of influence, have brought about an atmosphere of comparative clearness, in which extremes do not flourish; while the troublesome questions of parochial administration, and the annoying difficulties of insufficient funds, seem to be opening towards a solution.

In greater contrast, and with greater thankfulness, I recall to you the difference between such a gathering as ours, with standards of doctrine settled in absolute accord with the pure days of primitive Faith and Order, and the incoherent amalgamation of the great body of Christians, distinguished for learning and personal piety, who gathered at the meeting of the Evangelical Alliance, to discuss, at this late day, some common basis of articulate belief; and were unable to unite upon terms or in the act of Communion; or, even, it is said, to agree about the form of an ascription to the Blessed Trinity. Differences of opinion and practice among us are many, as they are inevitable and desirable; but actual agreement in essentials, and acknowledged intercom-

munion between the English and Colonial Churches and ourselves; and with the old Catholics of the Continent of Europe.

The brief summary which I can give here shows, among other valuable results, the following points of real gain.

The permissive use of the new Lectionary, saving and excepting, always, the loss of the Passover Scriptures on Easter Day, seems to me a clear gain, and one for whose advantages, we are largely indebted to the clerical deputy from this Diocese, who was on the Lectionary Commission. The proposed permission for Shortened Services, reached in an awkward and roundabout way, because some people will not see that the twenty-second Canon is our Act of Uniformity, must be valuable, in providing for busy people an act of worship complete in all its parts, which they can get into the possibilities of their crowded days; and in securing, for Mission Stations or places where the Church is little known, a service, shorter, less formal and more easily followed.

The Commission, known as the Joint Committee on liturgical enrichment, is, of course, simply a tentative movement. With an unfortunate name, and an unnecessary *raison d'être*, "the fact that this Church is about to enter the second century of its organized existence in this country," it nevertheless looks toward an important result, in a wise way. Some old liturgical losses cry out to be repaired; some larger provision for marking and keeping neglected days; some more appointments for Special Prayers, Prefaces, and Thanksgivings; some verbal restorations, ~~and~~ even grammatical corrections, which the intense caution of extreme conservatism has hindered heretofore, these are matters of consequence to the Church. Instead, therefore, of the hasty and undigested suggestions of individuals, and the patchy possibilities of changes from time to time, it is far better that all proposals should be considered in Committee and presented as a harmonized whole. This is all. The Committee is appointed and authorized to examine and report *if*, which must involve examining and reporting *what*, alterations are demanded. I need hardly say, and yet it may be wise to say, that such a Commission will not care to touch doctrinal standards or doctrinal statements in Creed or Office.

The reports of the Joint Commission on the subject of the Marriage with Relatives, and the action of the Convention upon them, were all, that in my judgment could be expected or desired, at this stage of the discussion. They stand side by side, the report of the majority of six, and the report of the minority of two; and the English Table, to which they both refer, is printed in full. And so, that part of this Church's office is renewed, which has been in abeyance since 1805, of teaching her people what the Ecclesiastical law of marriage has been, for *centuries*. It begins to do away with the only real objection to our reassertion of that law, that it would bear hardly upon those who, in

good faith and without knowledge of its wrong, had contracted forbidden marriages. We must teach people, as we have neglected to teach them; and it would be gross injustice to make an *ex post facto* application, even in thought, of this old law of marriage, or give it operative force *with discipline*, until a generation has been taught its principles. Unless this is God's Law, Christendom has been strangely blind, for centuries. And if it is, our failure to assert it, does not make it *not* God's Law.

What striking memories and what stirring hopes were roused, in the presence and participation in the opening services of the two foreign Bishops! The Bishop of Edinboro' brought back the recollection of that day of small things, when the Concordat and the letter of Consecration were the instruments that gave, not only, the first Bishop to America, but that gave us the most primitive, the most Catholic, the most un-Roman liturgy of modern times; a liturgy of which we are not only possessors but *stewards*; bound, in my judgment to insist upon its characteristic features in all liturgical dealings, with foreign Churches looking to us, for the Episcopate. Bishop Cotterill's official relation to the Church movement of M. Loyson, in France, associated him with Bishop Herzog, in the outlook of the future as well. This old Catholic movement in Germany, Switzerland and France represents, as the result of ten years of struggle, two Bishops, two hundred and twenty Priests, and one hundred thousand enrolled adherents, with more than three hundred thousand souls in actual sympathy. It is a wonder to me, that our people, instead of lingering upon the dreamy unreality of an impossible corporate reunion with Rome, or dallying with the spectral phantom of an Evangelical Alliance, do not see, in these quiet movements, the stir of an uprising, that needs the help of sympathy, of avowed and open Ecclesiastical support, and in the case of France, of prompt and liberal gifts of money; movements which promise, by internal and local reform, a revived and restored Catholicity in National Churches, independent of Papal corruption or control, whose inter-communion, among all conceivable varieties in non-essential things, shall realize the true organic Oneness of the Body of Christ.

The Bishops have had the opportunity this year, to rise to a recognition of the place and position, to which every man of us was consecrated, "for the office and work of a Bishop in the Church of God," and to a realization of their powers as Bishops, in a portion of that Church, which is *free*. Their declaration on the subject of Continental Reform is a document of unusual character and unsurpassed importance, among the acts of the American Episcopate. It is a paper, by which a little of the past, and I trust, more in the future, is to be interpreted. I put it on record here, as my own publication of its *teaching*, to this Diocese. And I ask you to notice the Cyprianic

statement, on which its assertion of right and duty turns, "*Episcopatus unus est cujus a singulis in solidum pars tenetur*;" which Casaubon translates, "the Episcopacy is but one, part of which each Bishop shares so as to have a right in the whole;" which means, as Bishop Fell rendered it, in his annotations two centuries ago, "the Episcopate is so *one* and is so possessed by each, that each Bishop possesses it all in full right." Its application is, that now, as of old, circumstances may arise of corrupted faith or violated order, or both, not only allowing but compelling the exercise, in extra-diocesan ways, by any Bishop or Bishops, of the completeness of that Episcopacy, whose oneness is so distributed among all that it cannot be absorbed in one; and yet so complete in each, that every Bishop has the gift and the grace in its entirety. The historical exercises of this principle have been many, and are well known; notably in the older days, in the cases of Eusebius of Samosata, St. Hilary and St. Cyril. In our own times, the consecrations of Bishop Reinkens and of Bishop Herzog; the covenants, and their attendant actions, with the Churches in Haiti and Mexico, and the Episcopal supervision asked and granted to the Christian Mission undertaken by M. Loyson, in France, are the striking instances. Of course, it is a principle involving risk and responsibility. But surely, the appeal to Eusebius, when Valens, the Emperor, deprived Churches of their pastors, was no stronger than the appeal to Catholic Bishops to-day, when all Dioceses owning Roman dominion are virtually deprived of the primitive Episcopacy by the papal intrusion. And surely the appeal from the Gallican Church, when men that hold the Catholic faith are refused Bishops and Churches and right of worship, unless they submit to the Vaticanized ultramontanism which defies alike Scripture and Creed and history, is as strong, as when Hilary went to expel the heretical Bishop Auxentius from Milan. The exercise of unusual power is always dangerous. And they who exercise it are rightly held to strict account. But if the power inheres in the office, it means that it *may* be used. And it seems to me, that not only ancient rule and early precedent prove it, but the very characteristic story of the first giving of the Holy Ghost. For that Pentecostal record reads in a very marked and a very meaning way. The cloven tongues, or rather the tongues as of fire, διαμεριζόμεναι γλῶσσαι, parted off as from a central whole, appeared; but it is not written, *they* or *one* of them sat upon the head of each, but *IT* sat upon the head of each, ἐκάθισε τε ἐφ' ἑνα ἑκαστον αὐτῶν. From Christ the Lord, the central whole, parted the tongues. But the total gift *in solidum* was to each one. The passage, as Bishop Fell truly says, condemns the innovators, on either part; "alike those who, instead of *one Episcopate*, wish to have *one Bishop* of the whole world; and those who wish to have no Episcopate at all." It is not imitating the Pope to send a Bishop to Mexico, for instance, or to extend the over-



the office of the Episcopate into France. It is only the antidote for the bane. And while in a sense each is intrusion, as remedies intrude where disease has intruded before; the one is the intrusion of a "Universal Bishop" holding the Episcopate apart and away from all the rest; and the other, of the individual Bishop sharing the entirety of the Episcopate with every other.

And lastly, let me call your attention to the Missionary character of this General Convention. It created two new Missionary jurisdictions, and filled three, Montana and Washington Territory and the long empty district of New Mexico and Arizona, with Bishops. And instead of relegating the discussion of its Missionary affairs to the late evening sessions, when tired deputies listened to printed reports and technical discussions, and the often good speeches of elected or hereditary members of the Board; the day time of whole days was given to the thrilling and stirring stories of our great Missionary Bishops and to the practical discussion of the work of Missions. The one day, when the Missionary Bishops spoke to that goodly gathering of men, "was better than ten thousand days," of the old-fashioned sessions of the Board of Missions. This Church has reason to thank God for these same Bishops, whose directness and practical power and self-consecration and simplicity and business ability and really thrilling eloquence put us, in this behalf, abreast even of the Church of England, in her roll of dead and living heroes, who have gone forth everywhere. And surely the results show that at home and abroad, with Missionaries Foreign and Domestic, the Lord has gone with them, "confirming the Word with signs following."

It rests with us now, my brethren, to see to it, that all this does not vanish away into empty air. The amounts needed, by closest calculation, to carry the work on, are before the Church. The Board of Managers ask for one hundred and fifty-eight thousand dollars for Foreign Missions, and one hundred and sixty-seven thousand dollars for Domestic Missions for the coming year. No man can dare to say, considering the object to which they go, or the source from which they ought to come, that the sums are large. And yet their securing depends upon the universal and uniform recognition of the duty of giving. The one cause, most of all responsible for want and failure in the past, is that a few Parishes in the Dioceses and a few individuals in those Parishes have done all the giving. More than half the Parishes gave nothing at all last year to Foreign Missions; and two Parishes, Grace Church, New York, and Grace Church, Brooklyn, gave one-seventh of the offerings of this whole Church to its Domestic Missions. Such facts speak for themselves, as to the necessity for some new system of gathering funds, which shall distribute the giving; first, for the sake of larger sums to be secured, and then, for the contingency of *the few Parishes falling off*; and then, that the blessing of giving may

be extended to a greater number. The Bishop of Maine with a persistent patience and a powerful urgency that did him honour, carried conviction as to the advantages of the subscription plan, to an almost unanimous and hearty endorsement of it. I have called your attention to it, in the Pastoral letter which has gone with the subscription books to every Clergyman in the Diocese. I cannot and I do not care to add any thing to that urgency. It is very easy to object, to find fault, to imagine better ways, to deal with practical questions *à la doctrinaire*. But that plan, by which the two great Missionary Societies of England are in the habit of getting three hundred and fifty thousand pounds sterling for their Foreign Missions, can hardly be faulted as wrong in principle, or poor in practice; without an amount of conceitedness and inconsequence which it is difficult to characterize. I earnestly ask for it, then, a generous and general trial throughout the Diocese at least for three years. And I hope the Rectors and Missionaries will not delay to send for the number of subscription books needed to make the trial thorough.

There are ready here to-day similar books for the gathering of Diocesan Missionary funds. About this, too, I say, with all earnestness and all authority, *something must be done*. The present plan of now-and-then offerings, of perpetual demands upon the Treasurer to make advances, of appeals, of debt, or of sums at the last moment made up, is wearing, unsatisfactory and unworthy of the Diocese. Besides which, the burden is unequally distributed. Changes in Rectorships, which are our constant cross, make immediate and immense differences in the gifts from Parishes. And we are not getting money enough, either to pay our Missionaries the stipends they ought to have, or to make any aggressive steps of advance. There is no Parish in this Diocese, in my judgment, that will not give more if the parishioners are allowed, certainly if they are urged, by the Rectors to subscribe individually to the Mission work of the Diocese. Again I ask for this a three years' trial, and I will be the first to abandon it, or to advise its abandonment, in any places where it fails to increase the interest in, and gifts to, our work.

The establishment of the "American Church Building Fund Commission," aiming at an amount of one million dollars in three years, to be invested, in order that its income, by gifts and loans, may aid in the building of new Churches, is another evidence of energetic interest in Missionary progress. As President of its Executive Committee, I am anxious to further its objects; and while I recognize the pressure upon Albany of close and constant claim, I trust the Convention will take up the proposal to form a Diocesan Auxiliary Association; put it into practical shape; invest it with all the earnestness in its power; and so commend its wise and practical plan to the gifts of Churchmen in the Diocese.



And so we pass naturally to the consideration of other matters connected with the Diocese.

Standing as Janus stood, in the old Roman story, with a face that looked both ways, and we all stand so upon recurring anniversaries and annual gatherings, our look back this year takes in an unwonted number of new graves. Very conspicuous and important men have gone from among our laymen in Troy. The Honorable Francis N. Mann died in less than a month after the last meeting of this Convention. His tall, commanding, venerable figure, with its crown of snowy hair, was no unmeet symbol of the place he filled, in the city which he served with honor, in various trusts, and in the Parish of St. John's, which he loved, truly and generously, from its foundation to the latest hour of his life. Fifty years in its Vestry and forty years its Church-Warden, he proved, by constant benefactions of gift and bequest and unfailing personal service, the truth of his own words, that "next to the welfare of his family, the prosperity of St. John's was most important to him." St. Paul's Church has suffered loss in the death of Mr. John L. Thompson, with whom, for many years, personal ties, direct and indirect, have bound me in most pleasant association; who crowned a life of business integrity and of rare domestic virtue, with a late profession of the religion which, although unavowed, had ruled his life: and in the death of Mr. Peter Thalimer, long prominent and punctual in all Parochial trusts, generously interested in local and Diocesan Missionary work, a man in private life conscientious, humble, and careful as to duty; and alike honored as a citizen in the community, and as a Churchman in the Parish and in the Diocese. In Albany and from the Cathedral, a dear friend to me, a man who had risen prematurely to a high point in a most honorable profession, a "beloved physician," indeed, to very many, and one to whom the Child's Hospital owes much in its early beginnings for counsel and help, Dr. Edward Reynolds Hun, suddenly, and all too soon, as men account it, has been taken away. The death of Mrs. Van Antwerp, a true Christian lady of rare cultivation and taste, and of unfaltering devotion to all claims of religion and mercy, a churchwoman by the consistent habit of her childhood's training, has bereaved the Parish and the Rector of St. Paul's, and the heart and home of our always generous friend, the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund. Apart from other remembrances of her, which are very grateful to me, I was struck with the peculiar fitness with which the last thoughts and the last gifts of her life were spent, upon the adornment of her Parish Church. When the palm branches of the martyrs are finally given, they will not be forgotten who have won their reward by "great patience" under the fiery trial of pain. St. Peter's Church is the poorer for the loss of Mrs. Agur Wells, one of its oldest communicants, *with whom my last pastoral duties were most pleasantly associated;*

and,—with one of those violent contrasts which make the warnings of our lives,—for the loss of the energetic devotion and self-forgetful interest of a true worker for the Master, in the death of Miss Pierson ; gone, in the fresh bloom and beauty of unsullied youth, to the blessing of “the pure in heart” who “shall see God.” My heart draws your hearts in very tender sympathy toward one, who has brought heart and cheer to us many a time out of his own sunshine of generous expressiveness, shadowed now by this intense sorrow. Out of two Parsonages, always my homes, two women have gone, whose memory lingers fragrantly behind: Mrs. Guion, the widow of a venerable Priest, a mother to my dear brother, Dr. Carey ; whose lovely, holy influence has consecrated her only son to the sacred ministry ; and Mrs. Robert Weeks, whose patient bearing of pain found its reward in her peaceful passage into Paradise, where the songs of the saints must satisfy her tuneful soul. Mrs. Burnet’s death removes from Ticonderoga a person not more venerable from age than from honor. It is gratifying to me to know that she spoke to her faithful Rector, at the time of her last communion, of me and of my coming visitation, when she hoped to see me. She died as she had lived, a Christian lady of the olden time, rich in good works, honoring her husband’s honorable name, true, with a most intelligent love to the Church, and strong in the faith of the Divine Redeemer. The death of Mrs. Tallmadge has deprived the Parish, at Mechanicville, of a true-hearted and devoted Churchwoman, who inherited and honored the Christian character and loyal Churchmanship of her father, the venerable Dr. Tibbits. A faithful woman, long full of interest in all religious things, Miss Allen, has died, in Whitehall, after the double illustration in her life of the power of God’s grace, first, in years of active duty, and then in years of patient suffering. Mr. Nathan Clark, of Athens, a consistent Christian man, many years the Senior Warden of the Parish, found, in the peace and trust of his later days, the blessing of God on his long life of quiet and devoted service to his Master. Mr. Henry Sandford is dead ; identified in later years with the Mechanicville Parish, but whom I remember as the staunch and almost solitary supporter of our Mission work at Northhampton ; everywhere in earnest to do for the Church, what his hand found to do. John Thompson, the true-hearted friend of Priest and Bishop, in the Parish of Rouse’s Point, ended, in the peace of a clear faith, a life of simple devotion to duty. Two old men have died in Norwood : Theodore Clark, eighty-two years old, and John Raymond, eighty-four years old ; both confirmed on the same day, more than forty years ago, and both men who had kept what they promised to their Lord their God. Mr. Raymond was among my earliest friends in the Diocese, welcoming me always, at all hours of the day and night, to his hospital<sup>ities</sup> of genial sympathies, than whom no <sup>one</sup>

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Mr. Chadwick's death, in Cohoes, is a larger and deeper loss to the Church than at first sight seems. Withdrawn, of late, by feeble health, and always withdrawn by a beautiful humility from public notice, he was a true benefactor to the Church; the very right hand of his Rectors, one and all; a dear friend to me; a living illustration of the kind of character which God forms, by His gifts of grace, through the ministries and teachings of this Church. His book-mark was in his Prayer-Book, at the Psalter of the day he died, ready to read the Office, whose antiphon he took up in Paradise; and from his sick-bed, the envelope, with his accustomed offering, was sent to the Altar, to which his due feet never failed to go when he was in health. And since the first falling of the Christmas-tide, news comes to me of the death, in Catskill, of Mr. Charles Trowbridge, for forty-one years Warden of St. Luke's Church, and, to the last, Superintendent of its Sunday School: a saintly man, a faithful servant of the Master; of whom his truly bereaved fellow-vestrymen say, without exaggeration, that "he walked in the commandments and ordinances of the Lord, blameless."

This is a rich list of treasures laid up, for hearts to lift themselves up to, in the other world. And there are doubtless others, of whom I have not heard. I write them here, as I believe God has written them in His book, asking for them the growing peace and light, and for ourselves grace to follow them, as they have followed Christ. And I add to these names, last, but not least, two, whom I specially seek to honour. Eliza Sheerer was for thirty-five years a faithful servant in a Christian home, and had in turn, for years of helplessness, all that that home could give of thoughtful care. The wages of her work, and the savings of her thrift, wisely invested for her, came at her death, by her will, to the charity of her Parish Church, St. Peter's Orphanage, and to the charity of her Cathedral, the Child's Hospital. And as her Rector and I stood beside her coffin, and the children of the Orphanage sang the hymns at her burial, my heart went back to the old days when she was my parishioner, dutiful and faithful always; and back still further, to the time when house servants were *domestics*—part and parcel of the interests and life of home; when masters and mistresses had not forgotten, because they had opportunity to exercise, their Christian duty to their servants; and then on still further, to the thought of the wastefulness of the rich, of gifts withheld during life, and bequests forgotten at death, of what the savings of the wealthy might accomplish; and of the frequent re-enactment of that scene in the treasury, which struck the keen eye of Him, before whom rich and poor alike are to come to judgment, when the widow gave more than the rich man. Another marked and similar instance has come recently to my knowledge from the Parish at Kinderhook. Catharine Johnson came in *early life*, from Norway, and was for years a member of St. Paul's Par-

ish, Kinderhook. She worked, while her strength lasted, in a factory, and then kept a little shop, where poor people had always special favors in credit and small prices. At her death it was found, that after certain bequests to relatives, the Parish inherited by her will a thousand dollars, and whatever else might be collected of her debts. A factory girl and a small shop-keeper bequeathed really, in all, eighteen hundred dollars to the Church. Wisely and thoughtfully, remembering her interest in the Sunday School, the Vestry commemorated her first, in a beautiful font: the place of the birth of the children of God, and of their admission into His earthly kingdom, reminds men of the death of this child of God and of her entrance into His invisible kingdom. The rest of the money was expended upon improving and adorning the House of God, which this faithful woman loved, and in which she had lived her spiritual life on earth, and was prepared for the life eternal. Surely, these are among "the last" in the world's esteem, who "shall be first." These are of those "whose end we fools account to be without honor," "who are numbered among the children of God, and whose lot is among the saints." I pray God to impress these examples upon the men and women of this Diocese.

Since the Convention gathered, news has come of the death of Mr. Charles S. Stuart, a staunch Churchman and an earnest and highly esteemed member of the Parish and Vestry of St. Peter's Church, Hobart; and of the removal from dear old St. George's, in Schenectady, of Mrs. Franchot, well known and honoured in her life of Christian dignity and duty, whose memory, lingering long behind her, will add its own sweetness to the beautiful memorial, which her remembering love had reared to those whom she has now rejoined in Paradise.

Nor can I forbear to go outside of our Ecclesiastical household, but within the broad horizon of our Christian sympathy, and speak, alike for sympathy with the immediate sufferers, and for warning to ourselves, of the startling death of the Rev. Dr. Bartlett, whose recognized position in this community enrols him among the earnest Christian workers, and the honoured and useful citizens, long to be remembered and regretted here.

I thought I had ended this roll of remembrance, when the telegram brought the news, not unexpected, of the death of the Bishop of North Carolina. The shadow of this coming sorrow lay darkly on the House of Bishops, last October, as we missed his beautiful face, his commanding form, the exquisite courteousness of his bearing, his silver voice, his calming, composing influence, and the crystal clearness of his convincing eloquence. But it lies more darkly now, over that empty throne, that bereaved Diocese, that desolated household, and on the hearts of his loving brothers in the Episcopate. There was about Bishop Atkinson, a rare sweetness and tenderness, like the best part of a woman's nature which won a

chivalrous and romantic love from all of us, while we none the less owned and honoured the courage and clearness and manly vigour of his rare intellectual gifts. And over and under all, the beauty of the holiness of his life, like a Saint's nimbus, irradiated a face and a figure, which none who ever saw, can ever forget, as a type of strength and sweetness and saintliness combined. I remember with a feeling of comfort now, the message of sympathy we sent from the Bishops, gathered in New York, this year to our absent brethren ; and the impressive dignity, with which, according to our new Rule of Order, the Presiding Bishop announced the fact of the deaths of the Bishops of Maryland and New Jersey and Louisiana, without any added word, except the saying of the Collect for All Saints Day. But the anxious thought remained and remains, as one by one, the trusted and the wise counsellors are taken away, who are to fill the empty places ? Thank God, the great Bishop has and needs no vicars, but by the power of the Holy Spirit, is the Personal and ever present Head of His Church.

Among the Clergy, our losses have been many and hard to bear. For the first time in many years, one who had wrought with us, and taken counsel with us for the Master's work, has passed from labor to reward. The Reverend Charles Shepherd Knapp died on the ninth of September. He went to the Adirondack work three years ago, in the hope that the healing atmosphere of that wonderful region might restore his health and prolong his service. And undoubtedly, could he have lived an invalid life, it would. But he was very earnest and energetic, and the long drives, often in intense cold, to and from services, proved too much for his strength ; and he went away, just a year ago, as it turned out, his work all done, to rest a little while, and then, quietly and peacefully to yield up the life, long ago given, to his Lord.

In the other way, which is far the harder for a Bishop to be resigned to, we have lost some of our oldest, in residence, and most valued Priests, Hall and Russell and Danker, Stubbs, Hutchings and Baker ; and of the newer men, Rogers and Coan, Norton and Barker and Picksley, Grannies and Wasson, and Morris and Bull. That is to say, about one-eighth of the Clergy have gone within a year. Insufficient income is the prevalent cause of these removals. But the perpetual change is none the less painful. It takes the heart and hope out of me, more than any other one thing. Personal ties are broken, continuous and systematic administration of the Diocese is made impossible. Parishes are unsettled with long interruptions of services and offerings ; and that wretched spirit of ear-itching with its antithetical devil of ear-tickling, possesses people beyond the power of Episcopal exorcising. There is a definite danger, in the Roman Catholic plan of Episcopal Autocracy, chiefly undesirable

*The Bishop.* There is a recognized and allowed injury and loss in

the Methodist plan of triennial itinerancy. There is an acknowledged evil and scandal, in the English plan of lay patrons, and livings bought and sold. But in the present working of our way, there is a concentration of possible and probable evils, a concatenation of various capacities of mischief, an ingenious combination of all that is bad in all other known systems, which has in it one condoning element of virtue, namely, that it throws us back upon that kind Providence which takes care of — people that cannot take care of themselves. And we go calmly on, either unwisely, I think, ventilating the difficulty in the newspapers, or constructing some cumbersome, canonical remedy, which is worse than the disease, or letting the matter drift. I have no desire to exaggerate the evil, or to set myself up as a second Daniel. But since the parochial system in this Church is not Congregationalism, it strikes me that the Bishops ought to have something to say about the filling and emptying of the Parishes in their Dioceses. And since the Episcopal system of this Church is not the autocracy of the papal vicars — who, having no independence, assume much authority — but the regulated and distributed and shared responsibility of government, by and with the consent of the Clergy and people; the representatives of Parishes have the inherent and constitutional right to choose their Clergymen. It is foolish to question, because it is impossible to decide, which of the two parties, Bishop and Vestry, has the deeper interest in this important matter. Bishops are supposed to have brains. They are under the most solemn responsibility, and are bound, besides, by every motive of self-interest, to promote harmony and satisfaction in the Parishes. *Their* work suffers when congregations are uneasy, under unwelcome ministrations; or when sudden self-will or restlessness withdraws a man from a Parish, where his success demands the duty of his continuance. And I believe that laymen will come to feel more and more the wisdom of dividing the responsibility with the Bishops, by recognizing Episcopal authority; not, as I am bound to say, it almost uniformly is recognized in this Diocese, as matter of personal influence, but as matter of canonical right. I cannot help thinking that some of our canonists, of whom I am not one, could frame a very simple remedy.

Our own canon XII, in its second section, is as inoperative as canon IV of the Digest. And I am clear that diocesan legislation would not be wise. Indeed, I think the less *Dioceses* make laws, the better. But I wish some people who are inclined and able to frame laws in our General Convention would think of two suggestions: one, a clearer law than canon IV of the Digest, to protect Rectors from inconsiderate Vestries, and to protect Parishes from unwise and harmful vacancies; and the other, allowing the Bishop, when he receives notice of a Rector's resignation, to assent or dissent; and if he assents, authorizing him, if he will, to nominate to the Vestry a certain number of persons,



out of whom the choice shall be made by them. Of course there should be a limit of time within which such nominations should be made; and an alternate right to the Parish, in case of failure to elect, to let the Bishop choose out of certain nominees of the Vestry. Few Bishops can have so little to complain of as I have, as to consultation about vacant Parishes, and I am wedded to no one method of securing relief for what is evidently an evil deeply and widely felt. But, at least, I beg to call the attention of both Clergy and laymen to a forgotten Canon, whose provision is important to protect the Church from the possibilities of Clergymen under discipline, or not lawfully ordained.

"No Minister \* \* \* shall officiate as the Rector, stated Minister or Assistant Minister of a Parish or congregation of the Diocese \* \* \* until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical authority a certificate," etc. Title 1, Can. 14, § II, of the Digest.

And I venture to commend to the imitation of the Convention the resolution of the Diocese of Connecticut in 1880 :

"*Whereas*, the custom of Clergymen preaching on trial in vacant Parishes, as candidates for the Rectorship, to the degradation in public estimation of their holy office, is becoming more common, therefore,"—

*Resolved*, that this Convention does hereby urge all Parishes in the Diocese needing a Rector to adopt some other method of becoming acquainted with Clergymen, and does also strongly disapprove any Clergyman's accepting an invitation to officiate in any Church as a known candidate for its Rectorship."

The appointment of the Committee of the last Convention, whose report I suppose will be presented, indicates, what I have found in my talks with the clergy all through the Diocese, a feeling of dissatisfaction with the present convocational arrangement, both as to the divisions and the duties of the Convocations. I ask the careful and thoughtful consideration of the Convention to this question; and I hope for its free and full discussion. Not wedded to any scheme merely because it exists; yet we shall be wise not to be given to change, for change's sake. It is a serious and important question. And without discussing it here, I venture to suggest that its importance is threefold: first, to arrange into the convocations, not perhaps counties, but places and parishes actually adjacent and in sympathy; secondly, to assign to them definite, actual and practical duties; and thirdly, to leave literary and spiritual matters to such voluntary associations as *may form themselves*. The clergy and lay people are too practical to keep up convocations, for the mere sake of keeping them up. They must commend themselves as useful to the good end for which they were designed, and which they might promote, and which certainly needs promoting, the advancement of the missionary growth and giving in the Diocese.

~~Another~~ Another question is, I am glad to say, coming more and more into

prominence in the minds of the clergy, namely, the development and advancement of their spiritual life. "They must be clean who bear the vessels of the Lord." Brought to my attention in various ways, but more recently and formally by an association of clergy from the North, I certainly desire to throw myself into such methods, as may seem wisest for our mutual upbuilding in holiness. But I have felt it wiser to wait, until the Convocation question shall adjust itself, before suggesting or adopting any distinct or definite plan. Only I do feel more and more the need of a deeper spirituality in our lives. It is not merely the question of example, essential as that is; or of the leaven that our lives ought to be, in the mass of those whose necessary absorption in "worldly business and worldly pleasures" surrounds them with temptations from which we are comparatively free. But it enters deeply and intensely into our ability to teach the people committed to our charge. Theological learning, at least theological reading and study, is of incalculable importance; I fear decreasing and diminishing before the over-estimate of shallow popular powers. But if the futile formalness of rhetorical displays, or the dry abstractions of metaphysical discussions in the pulpit are to be replaced by the true preaching of the Word, it is to be brought about by realizing the truth, that "spiritual things are spiritually discerned." It was when "Jesus was alone with His disciples," that it "was given unto them to know the mystery of the kingdom of God," and we have need to be more alone with Him, in prayer and meditation and holiness of life, if we would really learn of Him, and teach the truth as it is in Him. Only the "Holy Spirit; searcheth the deep things of God; and we have need to ask and seek for richer gifts of His illumination if we undertake to draw for thirsty souls "the water of life" out of "the wells of salvation." Call it by what name you please, "quiet day," "*concio ad clerum*," or "retreat;" the gathering of clergy for the study of God's word, for meditation, for prayer and Holy Communion; and, no less, the personal habit of prayer and thought, and looking *in* and *in* to the original language of the Holy Scriptures, are needful to our furnishing for the solemn and awful duties of "ambassadors for Christ," "as though,"—think of it my well beloved brethren—"as though God beseeches men by us." "Able ministers;" "eye-witnesses and ministers of the Word," "rightly dividing the word of truth," are those whose souls are so attuned to sympathy with heaven, that they catch the inner voice and meaning of the Master's words, as he did, who leaned on Jesu's bosom, and asked and got the answer to the questions about which others doubted and dared not ask.

Let us ask God earnestly to-day that we may go back to our places, and take up our lines, of work again, more than ever keenly alive to the need of the furnishing of our *souls*. To perceive and know what things we ought to *say*, and "to have grace and power faithfully" *and in*.



their fulness to say them, these are the gifts promised to those "who call upon" Him. And the Epistle's teaching carries on the thought of the renewed consecration to Him of our whole selves, with all our gifts, "a living sacrifice," "a reasonable service," not "thinking of ourselves" too "highly," but "thinking soberly." And over against it stands that most exquisite picture of *the* Childhood, with its double thought; first of our often sitting with patient study in the midst of the inspired Teachers of the Holy Scriptures, hearing them and asking them questions; and then, for this is our greater privilege, of the often and instinctive resort, into the Temple — the Holy Church of God in which — the Witness and Keeper of the Word — Christ sits, the Revealer, and the Teacher of the teachers whom He commissions, "even unto the end of the world." — *Amen.*

Jan. 13. The Twelfth Annual Convention of the Diocese assembled in St. Paul's church, Troy. I delivered in place of the sermon a portion of my Annual Address, and celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Reverend Archdeacons Payne, Carey, Cooke, and Clemson, the Rector of the Parish, and the Secretary of the Convention.

The musical portion of the service, indeed I may say of the *services*, was so effective and impressive, so good a model, and so helpful a medium, of worship, that it extorted a special resolution of appreciative gratitude from the Convention itself; and the expression was richly deserved.

The gathering was large. The services were spirited. The hospitalities of Parish and of individuals were lavish. The arrangements to the least detail were admirable. And the crowning act, by which two thousand dollars, given in very large proportion by laymen of Troy, were offered on the Altar, at the close of the missionary meeting on the first evening, made and make memorable this Convention.

The Convention adjourned on the evening of January 14th, after greatly enjoying the gracious and generous hospitality of Mr. James Forsyth.

Jan. 15. The Board of Missions spent the day in a sort of intermittent oscillation between the flush of recent, and the chill of remoter, recollections. Prudence prevailed over enthusiasm. And it was well it did. For though we paid our debt for the past year; and though we lessened rather than enlarged, our appropriations for the year to come; we have had serious difficulty in obtaining the needed money, until the very end of the year, and the Treasurer has been continually in advance of his receipts.

I have determined this year to urge and press upon the Diocese the system of parochial subscriptions for Diocesan Missions. I have addressed a pastoral to the clergy on the subject of missionary subscription *books*, based on the decision of the General Board of Missions to

adopt the subscription plan, for the support of our foreign and domestic work. With all my influence and all my authority, I beg each clergyman in this Diocese instantly upon his return home, to appoint as many solicitors and collectors as he thinks his Parish or his Mission needs, and to begin at once, with the backing of his personal urgency and interest, the effort to get everybody in his cure to pledge and to pay *something*, to the great work of missions in each of its three departments—diocesan, domestic and foreign. We gave, in all, last year, \$4,703.68, to Missions outside the Diocese. Only eight dioceses gave more. But more can be given and ought to be given and will be given, if everybody's interest and everybody's alms are enlisted. I believe the proportion of giving in a Diocese like ours, ought to be largest for our own work which is our unshared duty. But we must share the duty of the other Missions with the Church at large, and I merely enter here, for permanent reference, my pastoral letter to the clergy, and pass on to the story of my immediate work; which has been twice, to my great distress, interrupted by my illness. Disability from work is a new sensation to me. I can hardly set it down to my advancing years. I greatly hope that there has been enough of it in this one year, to free me from its worry for some time to come. And it is no little part of my thankfulness to Almighty God for the mercy of my restoration, that such abundant tokens of affectionate consideration and personal love have been lavished upon me, on every hand. I have learned, I hope, some lessons of prudence. I am sure the Diocese has earned a more unreserved devotion of my strength. I am inclined to ask for the appointment of a committee, upon the proposal which I made last year for a different arrangement of our diocesan Conventions, and I ask the clergy to take notice, that I propose to avoid hereafter the extremely hot months, in my visitations, which I mean this year to commence somewhat earlier, and to continue somewhat later into the autumn.

Jan. 15. I presided at a meeting of the General Chapter of the Cathedral at which the Rev. Geo. W. Dean, S. T. D., was elected Chancellor, and the Rev. T. B. Fulcher, Minor Canon.

Jan. 25. I presided at a meeting of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of Aged and Infirm Clergy.

Jan. 29. In the evening I blessed the Parish building for Trinity Church, West Troy, the Rector singing the Evensong. The building is a great addition to the working force of an admirably worked Parish, in which the Rector, like his predecessor, has learned the difficult lesson, of extending the circumference, without neglecting the centre, of his work.

Feb. 2. After a solemn service in the Chapel of the Cathedral, at which a goodly number of people remembered the anniversary of my consecration, I used the

addition to the Child's Hospital, called St. John's House, in memory of its building and furnishing by most gracious gifts from St. John's Parish, in Troy. The House has been invaluable to us in our work, relieving the Hospital sometimes of its overplus of children, sometimes of a number of children ill with the contagious troubles which enter into all Hospital work. To me, beside, as I looked back that day over the period of my Episcopate, it had an added comfort, as it told of distances bridged and estrangements reconciled, which made difficult the beginning of my work among you.

Grateful for the widespread interest of the past, I renew my request for an offering for the Child's Hospital on one of the Advent Sundays.

Feb. 3. In the afternoon I made my yearly visitation of another admirable charity in the Diocese — the Church Home in Troy. "The boys and girls in the streets of the new Jerusalem" and "the old men with staves in hand for very age" are the type and history of the true charity of the Church of God on earth; which cares now for the young and now for the old, giving to each, in the name of a disciple, what each needs; and sure not to lose its rewards. The statistics of the Church Home and its whole effect that day bear witness to the careful economy and the unstinted care, with which it is administered.

Feb. 4. I organized the mission of the Good Shepherd on the Island of St. Hubert in Raquette Lake. Mr. Wm. W. Durant, to whose energy the undertaking of the work is due, is the Warden, and Mr. Silas Seymour, the Treasurer.

Feb. 8. At night in St. Paul's Free Mission Chapel, Albany, I preached.

Feb. 11. Ash Wednesday. At night I preached in St. John's Church, Troy, before the united clergy and congregations of the City.

Feb. 13. I licensed, as Lay Reader, Mr. C. Tennant Lee under the Rev. Dr. Dean at Schuylerville, and Mr. Rollin Porter under the Rev. Mr. Locke at Saranac Lake.

Feb. 15. First Sunday in Lent, in St. John's Church, Troy, I ordained Priest the Rev. Wm. Morris Barker, Bishop Williams preaching the sermon and celebrating. Mr. Barker was presented by the Rev. Mr. Norton, and the other Priests who united in the laying on of hands were the Rev. Drs. Tucker, Harison and E. N. Potter, and the Rev. Messrs. Caird, Wasson and Breed.

Feb. 18, P. M. In St. George's Church, Schenectady, I preached.

Feb. 24. St. Matthias: I installed the Rev. George W. Dean, S. T. D., as Chancellor of the Cathedral. The Rev. Canons Chapman, Coan and Fulcher were present, and the Rev. Mr. Schwartz; and of the lay members of the Chapter, Messrs. Meads, Corning, Marvin and Hun. The Chancellor celebrated.

Feb. 25. I confirmed one person in private from Grace Church, Albany.

March 14. Fifth Sunday in Lent, in the evening, in the Church of the Holy Innocents, Albany, I preached and confirmed twelve persons. The Rev. Mr. Smith said Evening Prayer.

March 16. In the Cathedral Chapel, I confirmed one person from Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs.

March 17. In the evening in Christ Church, Hudson, the Rector and the Rev. Messrs. Stewart, Fisher and Cook said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed fourteen persons. Every thing connected with the Parish seems hopeful and promising.

March 18. In the morning in Trinity Church, Claverack, the Rev. Messrs. Cook and Tebbetts said Morning Prayer, and I preached, confirmed three persons and celebrated. In the afternoon, in All Saints' Chapel, Hudson, the Rev. Messrs. Tebbetts and Cook said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed four persons; and at night in Trinity Church, Athens, the Rev. Messrs. Stewart and Dexter said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed two persons.

March 19, A. M. In Christ Church, Cossackie, the Rev. Messrs. Dexter and Stewart said Morning Prayer, and I preached, confirmed three persons and celebrated.

March 20. In Christ Church, Ballston Spa, I made an Address and blessed the new bell of the Church.

March 21. Sunday next before Easter, A. M. In St. Peter's Church, Albany, the Rector said the Litany, and I preached, confirmed twenty-five persons and celebrated. At night, in St. Paul's Church, Albany, the Rev. Drs. Reese and Dean, and Mr. Granniss said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed forty-five persons.

St. Peter's is greatly adorned by the addition to its already beautiful windows, of the beautiful memorial window to General Cooper, and enriched by the enlargement of its organ, now virtually new and full. And St. Paul's has an added beauty, in fact and in association, by the adornments which Mrs. Van Antwerp's unfaltering interest have added to the building.

March 22. In the evening in St. John's Church, Troy, I preached.

March 24. At night in Grace Church, Albany, the Rev. Mr. Schwartz said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed twenty-six persons. I wish some word of mine could reach the ears of Albany churchmen about this Parish. It is more, almost, than any other point, *the* Mission Parish of the city. Hampered by debts and hindered by poverty, the Parish struggles bravely on, and the Rector's patience is equalled only by his energy. But the wealthier Churches ought to lift it up, and set its feet in the large room of unencumbered liberty in its revenues.

March 25. Annunciation <sup>Day</sup>

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preached, admitted Sister Catharine a full Sister of the Sisterhood of the Holy Child Jesus, and celebrated. At night in Trinity Church, Albany, the Rector and I said Evening Prayer, and I preached, catechized the children and confirmed fifteen persons.

March 27. Easter Eve. In the Cathedral Chapel, the Rev. Canons Chapman, Coan and Fulcher sang the Evensong, and I preached and confirmed fifty-three persons (three in private). The more that Canon Coan has gone away from the Cathedral, to the freer and more independent exercise of his pastoral ability, do I feel free to render grateful tribute, not only to his courteous loyalty to me and to my work, but to his musical taste, and to the faithful devotion to duty, which was rewarded with such abundant blessings, in the crowning of the year's work with the goodness of God. Set, in its ugly candlestick, upon a hill, the work of this Cathedral, under every disadvantage, is vindicating the object and the need of its founding. Like the King's daughter, its gloriousness is all within, in the charities and instructions, secular and religious, in services and mission work and offerings, which, some day, someone will find to be the seed, from which the fabric of the future building shall spring. The offertory on the next day — Easter — was in actual money, \$2,000. And I had the pleasure also of offering a subscription book of a completed sinking fund to pay off, in three years, a debt of \$7,250, which was expended in the original fitting of the building. When it is remembered beside this, that this congregation, with very few people in it of wealth, pays nearly one-sixth of the missionary expenses of the Diocese, and pays the interest on the mortgage on the Bishop's house, I think the Diocese should feel itself a debtor to the Cathedral.

March 29. In the evening in Trinity Church, West Troy, the Rector and the Rev. Messrs. Norton and S. E. Smith said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed nineteen people.

April 1. In the evening in the Church of the Messiah, Greenbush, the Rector said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed fifteen persons.

April 2. In the evening in Christ Church, Troy, the Rector and the Rev. Mr. Norton said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed twenty-four persons. The function of the choir in this Parish is one which has eminently earned notice and commendation. What it has added to the impressiveness and attractiveness of the services is plain to every worshipper. But beside this, it shares, with very few chorus choirs that I know of, the enviable distinction of having promoted devoutness of worship and religious interest among its own members. In ten years, with only such change as the passing of time makes inevitable, it has held together over forty men and women, really giving themselves to the service of God and the spiritual edify-

ing of man, leading, promoting and sharing the people's privilege of worshipping the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

April 4. First Sunday after Easter in St. John's Church, the Rector and Mr. Barker said Morning Prayer and I preached, confirmed twenty-four persons and celebrated; little imagining that the Parish and the Diocese were so soon to lose Mr. Norton, whose record is a remarkable record in the sum of results accomplished, spiritually and materially. In the evening in St. Paul's Church, Troy, the Rev. Dr. Harison said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed eighteen persons.

April 5. In the evening in St. Luke's Church, Catskill, the Rev. Mr. Weeks said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed nineteen persons.

April 6. I confirmed in private two persons from Trinity Church, Albany; I licensed as Lay Reader, Mr. S. Stanley Searing, under the Rev. W. C. Prout, at Grauville.

April 9. I presided at a meeting of the Board of Missions in the Cathedral Chapter Room. I feel bound to say here, that I greatly hope that nominated members of the Board of Missions will this year decline to be elected, unless they are satisfied of their intention and ability to attend the meetings of the Board.

April 18. I preached in St. John's Church, Washington.

April 25. Fourth Sunday after Easter. In the afternoon in St. Luke's Church, Troy, the Rev. Messrs. Wasson and Caird said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed eight persons. In the evening in the Free Church of the Ascension, Troy, the Rev. Mr. Caird said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed twelve persons.

May 2. In the afternoon in Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, the Rev. Messrs. Hall and Thompson said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed ten persons. At night in St. Mark's Church, Green Island, the Rector said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed seventeen persons. It was a great satisfaction to find here not only the orderly and admirable service, the large class, but also the provision, due, I imagine, largely to the Rector, of suitable Sunday-school rooms.

May 4. In St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville, the Rev. Messrs. Stubbs and Delafield said Morning Prayer, and I preached and celebrated. Mr. Stubbs, after many years of patient endurance and faithful service, resigned the Parish at my suggestion after a long consultation with the Vestry. As often happens, I could not fault either the Vestry or the Rector. But the separation was absolutely necessary to the life of a harassed priest, and to the quiet of the Parish. I gave up my Stillwater appointments owing to illness in the village, which would have made a congregation impossible.

May 9. Sunday after the Ascension. ~~Dr. Norton's evening~~ in the Church of St. John the Evangelist.



and Reynolds said Evening Prayer and I confirmed ten persons (one being confirmed in private).

May 10. In St. Paul's Church, Kinderhook, the Rev. Dr. Coxe and Messrs. Fisher and Reynolds said Morning Prayer; I preached and confirmed eleven persons and celebrated the Holy Communion. After the service I blessed the new font, a lovely and beautiful memorial of the good woman, Catharine Johnson, of whom I have spoken elsewhere. In the evening in St. Barnabas' Chapel, Stottville, the Rev. Messrs. Tebbetts and Wm. M. Cook said Evening Prayer, Messrs. Fisher and Reynolds being present, and I preached and confirmed ten persons.

May 11. In St. Luke's Church, Clermont, I preached and celebrated. The service was forlorn enough. The faithful few are slowly fading away. Since my visit I have made arrangements for summer services there, the former missionary, Mr. Wilson, undertaking to care for them. The pleasure of the visit was in the going there and coming away, in pleasant company and behind a pair of horses that more than "kept pace with my expectancy;" and still more in the gracious welcome of two dear and venerable friends, whose patient passing down the gentlest declivity of life is beautiful to see. On my way I stopped at Philmont, one of the points we ought to occupy; and in the evening in St. John's, Copake, the Rev. Canon Fulcher said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed two persons. This is another anxious place, and where we shall be wiser to do something, or to stop "playing church." A now and then service in the Summer, and the Church closed in winter for lack of a stove; a Sunday-school by jerks; continual changes, and local difficulties combined with them, have not tended to strengthen the Church here.

May 12. I presided at the meeting of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary in New York.

May 16. Whitsun Day, in the afternoon in the Church of the Holy Cross, Troy, the Rev. Dr. Tucker and I sang the service, Dr. Harison reading the lessons, and I preached and confirmed twenty-five persons. In the evening in St. Paul's Free Chapel, Troy, the Rev. Drs. Williams and Tucker sang Evensong, and I preached and confirmed five persons.

May 18. In the afternoon in Trinity Church, Granville, the Rev. Messrs. Prout and Houghton said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed two persons; and at night in the Chapel of the North Granville Mission, the Rev. Messrs. Prout, Houghton, J. E. Hall, and Randall of Vermont, said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed five persons.

The four following days were spent with the candidates for ordination, partly in examination and partly in spiritual preparation and instruction. The examination was conducted in my pres-

ence by the Chancellor and Examining Chaplains Harison and Irish, Dr. Reese and Canon Fulcher kindly assisting. The daily communions, and the long hours together, the talks and teaching and praying, bind Bishop and candidate together in a way that is helpful for our after relations, and make me more than ever impatient of the changes which take out of the Diocese men whom I know, and to whom the tone of administration in the Diocese is familiar and natural.

May 23. Trinity Sunday. In St. Paul's Church, Albany, the Rector, the Rev. Canon Van Rensselaer, and the Rev. Messrs. Grannis, and Porter of Rhode Island, being present; the Rev. Mr. Neide preached the sermon, and I ordered Deacons, Mr. John Brewster Hubbs, Mr. Frederick James Bassett, Mr. Jacob Streibert, Jr., presented by the Rev. Dr. Reese, under whose ministry these young men have been trained; Mr. John Prout, presented by his brother, the Rev. W. C. Prout, and Mr. Robert Howland Neide, presented by his Father. Two of the ordained are the sons of Priests who give *the double*, themselves and what is dearest of them, to the Lord. And Mr. Prout is the third son of a faithful and beloved Priest, once in the Diocese—in God's Paradise now—whom I have had the pleasure of ordaining to the sacred ministry. At night in the Free Church of the Epiphany, Bath, the Rev. Dr. Battershall and Mr. Temple said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed twenty-four persons. I am yearly more and more surprised at the steady growth and gaining strength of this work; growing and gaining in all best spiritual ways, as much as in numbers.

May 25. In St. Timothy's Church, Westford, the Rev. Messrs. Snyder and Hobbie said Evening Prayer (the Rev. Daniel Allen being present), and I preached and confirmed five persons. I was glad to meet Allen here, who after fighting bravely for years with the insidious disease sapping his life away, had come back to the place where I first knew him, in the flush of his young hope and strength. He has passed away since then, to rest and reward early and yet hardly won. And though not connected at last with this Diocese, I always associate him with his mother's home in this little parish at Westford, feeble and small, and always to be so; and yet to be honored as having given three men to the sacred ministry, one of whom with "honor in his own country," still serves this little flock. The congregation filled the Church, which has been greatly improved in its interior arrangements.

May 27. In the Cathedral Chapel, I confirmed one person from Trinity Parish, West Troy.

May 28. In the evening in St. John's Church, Cohoes, the Rector said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed ~~several~~ ~~persons~~ ~~sons.~~



**May 29.** In the evening in Christ Church, Schenectady, the Rev. Drs Payne and Potter said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed nine persons. The Rector, Mr. Rogers was present, who has since left the Diocese, leaving behind him only regrets at his loss, and permanent evidences of a faithful and successful ministry.

**May 30.** First Sunday after Trinity. In St. George's Church, Schenectady, the Rev. Dr. Payne said Morning Prayer, and I preached, confirmed thirteen persons and celebrated. In the evening in St. Ann's Church, Amsterdam, the Rev. Mr. Irish said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed sixteen persons. The women of the Parish here, as everywhere, its chief support, have admirably improved the Church, which must, however, be enlarged if it is to keep pace with the energetic administration of the Rector.

**May 31.** Unfortunately for us, Decoration Day. In the Holy Cross Chapel, Fort Plain, the Rev. Mr. Irish said Morning Prayer, and I preached and baptized a child. In the afternoon, in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Canajoharie, I preached; and at night, in Zion Church, Fonda, Mr. Irish said Evening Prayer and I preached. The Missions were vacant, and I was indebted to Mr. Irish's kindness for his presence with me all day.

**June 1.** In St. John's Church, Johnstown, the Rev. Dr. Harison and Mr. Neide said morning prayer, early. At 10:30 I preached and ordered Deacon the Rev. Charles Carroll Edmunds, Jr., presented by his father; and advanced to the Priesthood the Rev. Edwin Ruthven Armstrong, presented by the Rev. Mr. Irish. The Priests joining in the laying on of hands were the Rev. Drs. Payne and Harison, and Messrs. Edmunds, Neide, Irish and Walker. I confirmed five persons, addressed them and celebrated. It was a service full of tenderness in every way, as one remembers the "prophecies that had gone before" upon the newly-ordained Deacon; and as I recalled, before the beautiful memorials of his life, dear Van Voast, ordained here to the Priesthood and carried hence to his resting place. It was as though Edmunds was ordained "for the dead." The children's choir was a great addition to the service.

The examinations at St. Agnes occupied the rest of the week and were in all points creditable and satisfactory.

**June 6.** In the Cathedral I preached and celebrated. The graduating class were all, as usual, together at the Holy Communion, and I was glad that they could go out with the comfort of the Collect for the week "keep them under the protection of thy good providence." Two more days of examination brought round the two days given up, this year, to the closing exercises of the School—the Graduates' Reunion and the graduating day. Eighty, of our one hundred and fifty graduates, came back to us and brought great pleasure and brightness back with them to the School and to me. The record of the day is already *in your hands*. It certainly was no small tribute to the hold the

School, has that so many came from so far. And as I renewed the memories of their life here, and sent the new class out with them into the world, I felt, not unduly I trust, proud of the children, glad and grateful for them, and ready to take up again the load of care and responsibility, whose results are certainly a repayment, as God has blessed them so abundantly.

June 15. In the Cathedral Chapel I confirmed one person from the North Granville Mission, and afterward I delivered the Address and the Diplomas, and gave my benediction, to the graduates of 1880, in the presence of a large number of the clergy and of the friends of the School.

June 12. After a beautiful drive, in the Arch-Deacon's good company, from Schenectady, in St. Paul's Church, Charlton, the Rev. Mr. Timlow and Dr. Payne said Morning Prayer, I preached, confirmed two persons, and celebrated. In the afternoon in Calvary Church, Burnt Hills, the Rev. Mr. Timlow said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed two persons. The reunited parishes are beginning already, under the faithful ministry of the new Rector, to show the value of his work.

June 13, A. M. Third Sunday after Trinity. In Christ Church Ballston Spa, Mr. Delafield said Morning Prayer and I preached, confirmed twenty-five persons and celebrated. In the afternoon, in St. John's Chapel, East Line, Mr. Delafield said Evening Prayer, and I preached, confirmed six persons; and afterward I said a short service of benediction in the new Clergy House. It is an admirable and convenient building; and the interest of the people holds and increases in the work. At night in Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, the Rev. Dr. Carey said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed forty persons.

June 14. In St. Stephen's Church, Schuylerville, in the morning the Rev. Drs. Dean and Carey said Morning Prayer, and I preached, confirmed six persons and celebrated. In the afternoon in Greenwich, I met the Vestry for a short consultation upon prospects and plans; and at night in St. Luke's Church, Cambridge, the Rev. Messrs. Trevett and Houghton and Dr. Dean said evening prayer, and I preached and confirmed three persons. Since then I am sorry to have lost Mr. Trevett from the Diocese; and very glad to have gained at Greenwich the Rev. Mr. Windsor, who has thrown himself with energetic devotion into building the Church and building up the congregation, at Greenwich. If the effort now making, be successful, as I earnestly trust, then the old long ago hope of "Union Village," long dead, will revive into something like success and strength. And if anybody can make it successful, the present Rector will.

June 15, A. M. In the Church of the Messiah, Glens Falls, the Rev. Messrs. Olin and Cookson and Dr. Van Rensselaer said Morning Prayer

and I preached, confirmed thirteen persons (three in private) and celebrated; and at night in Zion Church, Sandy Hill, the Rev. Messrs. Whittemore and Cookson said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed nine persons.

June 16. In St. James' Church, Lake George, the Rev. Messrs. Lancaster and Ogden said Morning Prayer and I preached and celebrated. And in the afternoon in the Church of St. Sacrament, Bolton, the Rev. Messrs. Lancaster and Ogden said Evening Prayer and I preached.

June 17. In the evening in the Church of the Holy Cross, Warrensburgh, the Rev. Messrs. Ogden and Lancaster said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed nine persons. I was obliged, by illness, to suspend my visitations here and return home.

June 19. I licensed as Lay Readers, Mr. Olin Hallock in St. Paul's Church, Keeseville, and Dr. George C. Shattuck in St. John's, Champlain.

July 4 and 11. I preached in Trinity Chapel, Sharon Springs, whither I went in search of health, and found great refreshment and pleasure.

July 13. Eighth Sunday after Trinity. In the Chapel of All Saints Cathedral, I ordered Deacon Mr. Charles David Flagler, and advanced to the Priesthood the Rev. Hobart Clarence Brayton, both presented by the Rev. Mr. Lancaster, who united with Canon Chapman in the laying on of hands. In the afternoon in the Cathedral Chapel, I confirmed one person.

July 19. In the Church of the Holy Cross, Ticonderoga, the Rev. Messrs. Wm. H. Cook, Wm. Mason Cook and Woodbridge said Evening Prayer, and I confirmed two persons and addressed them. At night in St. Paul's Church, Keeseville, I preached and confirmed six persons.

July 20. In St. James' Church, Ausable Forks, the Rev. Mr. Bragdon said Morning Prayer and I confirmed sixteen persons and addressed them.

July 21. In St. John's Church, Champlain, with the Rev. Mr. McElroy and Dr. Howard, I preached and celebrated. In the evening in Christ Church, Rouses Point, the Rev. Mr. McElroy and Dr. Howard said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed eight persons.

July 22. In the morning in St. Mark's Church, West Bangor, the Rev. Mr. Savage said Morning Prayer and I preached, confirmed seven persons, and advanced to the Priesthood the Rev. Norman Hammoud Burnham presented by the Rev. J. B. Pitman, the Rev. Messrs. McElroy and Savage uniting in the laying on of hands. I was compelled again to give up work and return home, under the urgency of medical advice.

July 25. Ninth Sunday after Trinity, in St. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls. I preached in the morning, and in the afternoon I baptized the infant child of the Assistant Minister.

Aug. 12. The Rev. Dr. Howard, at my request, laid the corner-stone of the new St. Andrew's Church, Norwood. During August I cele-

brated and preached every Sunday to a small congregation, of visitors *in part*, but chiefly of the people living near, in North East Harbor, Maine.

Sept. 9. In Essex, owing to the failure of letters, I made a visitation pleasant personally, but officially profitless, as the Church was undergoing repairs, and could not be used. In the evening, in Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, the Rev. Mr. Smyth said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed four persons.

Sept. 10. After a quick drive of thirty-five miles from Point of Rocks, under the good guidance of Mr. King, and yet missing the kindly companionship of old days, I came to Saranac Lake, where, in the Church of the Beloved Physician, I preached and confirmed fifteen persons. The Church was exquisitely decorated, and very lovely, with some marked improvements inside. The service has greatly improved, and the class, entirely from the people of the neighborhood, tells its own story of Mr. Locke's faithfulness and singular adaptation to the work. I passed St. Regis and its dear Church, unwillingly from lack of time, and because there was no class to be confirmed. The Bloomingdale Chapel is to be built. In the evening I went through the Lower Saranac and Round Lake and spent the night at Bartlett's. This is a nucleus from which, through Mrs. Bartlett's energy and devotion, no little churchly interest has gone out.

Sept. 11. I did what I believe was never done here before, in making a fifty-six miles' journey, with all the difficulties of low water to contend with, between half-past six in the morning and ten at night. The only hard part of it was the guides' work, and hard as it was, they did it cheerfully and well. We had two boats, Mr. Locke being with me, and through the glory of a superb September day, rowing or rather being rowed, and walking over the carries, we went through the Upper Saranac and up the Raquette river to the Falls, and through Long Lake and Forked Lake to Mr. Durant's Pine Knot Camp in the beautiful Raquette Lake — *the* lake I think of the Adirondack chain. The sunset on Forked Lake, with the oxbow mountain lying clear against the crimson sky and doubled in the crimson water, the windings of the river, in the silence of the wilderness and between the banks on which the trees drooped to the edge, with the autumn colors just beginning to glow among the green, the Raquette in the moonlight, and the cheerful welcome of camps and camp fires along the shores, and the crowning welcome at Mr. Durant's camp, made a memorable day whose memories are most delightful.

Sept. 12. Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity. I consecrated the Church of the Good Shepherd, on the island of St. Hubert, in Raquette lake. The Church is thoroughly picturesque and in entire harmony with its natural surroundings. It is most absolutely conformed to the true description of the church of O~~l~~<sup>l</sup>-~~and~~<sup>land</sup> " -- Thrust

out a little from the land." The decorations were lovely, the service spirited and impressive, and every thing complete. It is another mile-point of our missionary march into the wilderness, which God lets us make, in spite of widespread diocesan indifference; due, as in other instances, under Him, to the active and liberal interest of a few individuals, of whom Mr. Wm. W. Durant and Mrs. Frank Stott, with their families, are the chief. The Rev. Mr. Sparks of Brooklyn did a good work last Summer here in holding services, which are warmly appreciated by the visitors, and by the guides, a noble, manly, teachable body of men whom I was glad to see in goodly numbers at the Consecration service. As yet this is a post where services will probably only be held in the Summer; and therefore no mission stipend is asked or would be given. But it has a growing importance in the rapidly increasing number of summer people who are drawn here, and the time will come, I believe, when it will be a permanent centre of local influence. At the service the Rev. Mr. Locke read the instrument of donation, and the Rev. Chancellor Dean the sentence of consecration; I preached and celebrated. The return home was somewhat adventurous, but very skilful pilotage brought us through the devious, little Marion river, and the blind outlets of the smaller lakes, to the American House, on Blue Mountain lake, about midnight. The late hour did not prevent a most hospitable reception from the good church people who keep the hotel. And after a swift and comfortable five hours' drive, the next day, through a welcome rain, I came to North Creek, still under the kind care of Mr. Durant's family; and so safely home, with a feeling of intense thankfulness, that I was really well enough to be at work again.

September 15. In the Cathedral Chapel I admitted Sister Eliza a Sister Probationer in the Sisterhood of the Holy Child Jesus, and celebrated. The School opened to-day with excellent promise, which has been fulfilled by a full and useful term; shadowed by the death in the house a few weeks later of a very dear child; which great sorrow was softened to us, by the sublime resignation of those to whom it came more closely home, and by the testimony, borne chiefly by the sorrowing parents, to the faithful tenderness of nursing and care which was unavailing to avert, but able to soothe the sad issue of the illness, not, I am glad to say, contracted here.

September 16. In St. Paul's Church, Salem, the Rev. Messrs. Houghton, Prout and Stubbs being present, I preached, confirmed four persons and celebrated. In the afternoon I blessed the new transept and tower of the Church, and spent much time among the children and people of this unique Parish. The park, the fountain, the aquarium and the new Parish house are admirable and valuable additions, and they are gifts to the Village really, which enjoys and *appreciates* them. In the evening I preached the Harvest Home

sermon, the Church being exquisitely decorated with every variety of the fruits of the earth. I am, I confess, a little doubtful of this service in one sense, that it takes the edge off Thanksgiving day. *But* since we have no particular interest in the arrival of the ship load of stores that saved the Plymouth colony from starvation, and since their descendants outdo us in keeping the Christmas Feast, I cannot see why we should not put our Thanksgiving day nearer the time when the harvests are brought home. As it stands now, our short lived gratitude has largely forgotten the ingathering, and the gratitude is a little late, like the *eleven o'clock* thanksgiving to God, for having brought us to *the beginning* of the day.

September 18. In the Cathedral Chapel I confirmed five persons, four from St. Luke's, Middleburgh, the Rector finding it more convenient to bring them here, and one from St. Stephen's, Annandale. I had the great pleasure to-day of welcoming to my house, where they found quick and permanent access to all our hearts, the venerable Bishop of Edinboro' and Mr. F. A. White, of London, 'Treasurer of the French Committee of the Anglo-Continental Society. The Bishop preached the next day in the Cathedral; and we had many days here, and at Lake George and in New York, of careful talk about the Continental movements for Reform, especially in France, and of the sweet counsel that men take together, who "walk in the House of God as friends."

September 26. In the Cathedral, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Herzog, first Bishop of the Catholic Christian Church of Switzerland, was with me, reading the Gospel, administering the Chalice and pronouncing the benediction. I had much intercourse, thank God, also with him, and I make bold to say that no young man throughout the Catholic Church has done, in our century at least, a work of such commanding consequence and power, as his preparation of the Swiss Liturgy. Brave, intellectual, spiritually minded, simple and true hearted, I found him, here and everywhere, as companion and counselor, one, whose remembrance will *not* be as that of "the guest that tarries but a day."

September 28. I organized Christ Mission, Gloversville.

September 29. In St. James' Church, Fort Edward, the Rev. Mr. Cookson and Olin said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed ten persons. The Church is to be greatly benefited by the addition of a really good organ, the gift of its chief benefactor.

October 6. I was in my place at the opening service of the General Convention in St. George's Church, New York, whose chief feature was the presence, in the Sanctuary, of the Bishop of Edinboro and Bishop Herzog acting as Gospeller and Epistler to the venerable presiding Bishop. I hope the public opinion of the Church will sooner or later (I hope sooner) compel the abandonment of the unimpressive tediousness of this service. More than at any other time, the great company" of communicants, the



and I take leave to say the *Communion office* ought *not* to be ; for nothing so much distracts devotion, disturbs the beauty of the Liturgy, and destroys the unity of the solemn act of Consecration.

From that day until the closing service in the Church of the Holy Trinity, on Wednesday evening, October 27, I was able to be in my place, at and throughout every session of the House of Bishops. I preached on Sunday, October 10, in the morning at Trinity, Bishop Herzog celebrating; and in the afternoon at St. Thomas', New York; on Sunday, 17th, in the Cathedral in Albany; on the 23d, to a congregation of women workers in St. Ann's Church, New York; and on Sunday, 24th, in the morning, in the Church of the Redeemer, and at night in St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn; and on Thursday, October 28, I celebrated and preached in the Chapel of St. Barnabas' House, New York.

October 21. I licensed Mr. Edward Dudley Tibbits a Lay Reader at Hoosick.

October 31. I lighted our hallowe'en fire on the St. Agnes' School-room hearth, at night, with the usual service of this pleasant anniversary. I was here joined by our young ladies for a decorative and musical service.

November 8. Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity; in the morning. I preached and celebrated in the Church of the Advent, in Boston.

Nov. 11. In the morning in St. Mark's Church, Malone, the Rev. Messrs. Pitman, Howard and McElroy said Morning Prayer, and I preached and confirmed four persons. In the afternoon in the hall at Norwood, the Rev. Messrs. Savage, Howard and McElroy said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed three persons. It was a great thing to find the walls of the new Church up to the water-table. The situation seemed well chosen, and the work substantially and well done. May God prosper it to completion. So far the people have been unaided, and they have done all they can, alone. I commend their *real need* to the generous assistance of their neighbors. I feel really as if the stones in the walls made the monument of dear old Mr. Raymond's grave. At night in Trinity Church, Potadam, the Rev. Dr. Howard and Messrs. McElroy and Savage said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed seventeen persons. There were emphatic evidences in this service, of the best sort of growth and gain in the Parish.

Nov. 12. After an eleven miles' successful contest with incomparable mud, which did not disconcert Mr. Clarkson's patient courage, though he had to drive the distance back again, I came to Morley in good season. In spite of every thing, the lovely Chapel was full, and I preached and confirmed seven persons and celebrated, the Rev. Mr. Olmsted having said the Litany. In the evening in Grace Church, Canton, the Rev. Messrs. Pearce, Rich, Olmsted and McElroy, and the Rev. Dr. Howard, being present, I preached and confirmed one

person, a young boy, whose courage of purpose gave good promise of the man he is to be. And the next morning, in the same Church, at a service redolent with blessed memories, churchly and personal, I blessed the memorial Altar and celebrated, assisted by the Archdeacon and Mr. Pearce, Dr. Howard, Mr. Olmsted and Mr. McElroy being present. In the evening in Trinity Church, Gouverneur, the Rev. Dr. Bostwick and Mr. Pearce said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed three persons. Strange as it seemed to find the dear Doctor here, the wisdom of his appointment is abundantly justified, by the oil which his mere presence pours upon the troubled waters of this sorely tried, and greatly to be honoured Parish.

Nov. 14. Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity. In the morning in St. John's Church, Ogdensburg, the Rev. Dr. Morrison and Mr. Finlay being present, I preached, confirmed twenty-five persons and celebrated. There is no nobler or more stirring congregation in the Diocese than that gathered here, in this outpost, which grows stronger every year. In the afternoon in Christ Church, Morristown, the Rev. Mr. Finlay and the Archdeacon said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed thirteen persons (one in private). The service was very interesting and very touching, and while it will be a good while before "this little one becomes a thousand," yet its progress has been never so satisfactory, as under Mr. Finlay's administration.

Nov. 15. In Christ Church, Herkimer, the Rev. Mr. Walker said Evening Prayer, I preached and confirmed twenty-seven persons, and one afterward in private in the town of Mohawk; whence a good proportion of the class came, and where Mr. Walker's missionary work is as successful, as his parochial work in Herkimer.

Nov. 16. In the morning in St. Augustine's Church, Ilion, the Rev. Messrs. Armstrong, Walker, and Schultze of the Central Diocese, said Morning Prayer, and I preached, confirmed eight persons and celebrated. The service was admirable, and the congregation large. A small but beautiful silver service for the Altar, the gift of several persons, in memory of their dead, was offered at my visitation. At night in Immanuel Church, Little Falls, the Rev. Messrs. Arnold and Walker said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed thirteen persons. I am glad to welcome the new Rector here, the weapons of whose warfare have evidently been mighty, by the blessing of God, to the pulling down of strongholds.

Nov. 19. The Rev. Dr. Harison, at my request, laid the cornerstone of St. James' Chapel, Milton Centre.

Nov. 26. In the morning in Grace Church, Waterford, I baptized the Rector's infant son. From this hour on, I have been disabled from all public duty, not officiating until Christmas day, when I was thankful to be out once more.



Dec. 2. I was all day in counsel with the Standing Committee in relation to the organization of a new parish in Troy. Arrangements were made which will, I trust, inure to the best interests of the Church. But meanwhile there is disappointment in my decision. I have no desire to argue the case here, and I speak quite as much of other instances, as of this. Indeed this is hardly an instance in point. For in Troy, the Mission was really a Chapel,—as in old Trinity, New York,—of the Parish Church. But I do desire to put myself squarely on the general record, as opposed always and everywhere to the organization of new Parishes, when they are not absolutely needed and evidently able to care for themselves. I do not look upon a Mission as an imperfect, inchoate, and rather contemptible thing; nor as a Parish in embryo. A Mission is a complete thing, and it is a very churchly thing, older and in certain ways more ecclesiastical, and in very many instances safer and better, than a Parish. Where there are, and are likely to be, Churchmen of interest, intelligence and sufficient means to compose a Vestry, the Parish is rightly and strongly organized. But it is utterly unsuitable where men are dragged in, often from remote distances, or chosen from other religious bodies, or with no religion, just to fill up the requisite number to organize. I hold this opinion strongly, and strangely perhaps to those who consider that the three orders of divine appointment are Vestrymen, Wardens and a minister; the minister being the inferior. And I hold it, as the result of experience in this Diocese, in which my visitation tracks are strewn with the wrecks and ruins of premature parochial organizations, whose failure has been a discouragement to Christian work and a discredit to the Christian name. Theoretically and experimentally I do not believe in the multiplication of small and struggling parishes.

The detailed record of my acts represents naturally smaller results, which are due simply to my own inability to visit twenty-six of the Parishes, and eight of the Missions. It is as follows: Confirmed (including seven persons confirmed in St. John's, Delhi, by the Bishop of Utah), 866; Celebrations of the Holy Communion, 79; Sermons, 129; Addresses, 16; Clergy died, 1; Clergy dismissed, 14; Clergy received, 7; Clergy added by ordination, 7; Present number of Clergy: Bishop, 1; Priests, 103; Deacons, 14; total, 118. Priests ordained, 4; Deacons ordained, 8; Ordinations, 12; Postulants admitted, 4; Total Postulants, 10; Candidates for Deacon's Order, admitted, 3; for Priest's Order, 3; total, 6; Candidates for Deacon's Order, 8; for Priest's Order, 13; total Candidates for Holy Orders, 15; Candidates transferred, 1; Licensed as Lay Readers, 9; Churches Consecrated, 1; Missions organized, 2; Corner-stones laid, 2; Buildings blessed, 2; Baptisms, Infants, 3; Marriages, 2; Burials, 3; Inhibition, 1; Notices of Depositions received, 7; Notices of Depositions withdrawn, 2.

I have attended the meeting of the General Convention, the regular meetings of the Board of Missions, the Cathedral Chapter, the Trustees of the Corning Foundation, and the Managers of the Child's Hospital, two meetings of the Trustees of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, one meeting of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and meetings of various Committees of the General Convention, and one meeting of the General Chapter of the Cathedral.

**ORDINATIONS.**

Feb. 15. The Rev. Wm. Morris Barker, to the Priesthood, in St. John's Church, Troy.

May 10. Frederick Thompson, to the Diaconate, by the Bishop of Connecticut, acting for me.

May 23. John Brewster Hubbs, Frederick James Bassett, Jacob Streibert, Jr., John Prout, Robert Howland Neide, to the Diaconate in St. Paul's Church, Albany.

June 1. Charles Carroll Edmunds, Jr., to the Diaconate, and the Rev. Edwin Ruthven Armstrong, to the Priesthood, in St. John's Church, Johnstown.

July 18. Charles David Flagler, to the Diaconate, and the Rev. Hobart Clarence Brayton, to the Priesthood, in the Cathedral Chapel.

July 22. The Rev. Norman Hammond Burnham, to the Priesthood, in St. Mark's Church, West Bangor.

**CLERGYMEN RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.**

Feb. 13. The Rev. Arthur Herbert Locke, from the Diocese of Maine.

March 31. The Rev. Heman R. Timlow, from the Diocese of Connecticut.

April 9. The Rev. Zachary T. Savage, from the Diocese of New Jersey.

April 26. The Rev. John Vaughan Lewis, D. D., from the Diocese of Maryland.

July 19. The Rev. A. J. Arnold, from the Diocese of New York.

July 30. The Rev. John M. Windsor, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

Oct. 18. The Rev. Frederick H. T. Horsfield, from the Diocese of Massachusetts.

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Jan. 8. The Rev. C. M. Nickerson, for the Diocese of Western New York.

**CLERGYMEN DISMISSED TO OTHER DIOCESES.**

Feb. 2. The Rev. Augustus Prime, to the Diocese of

April 1. The Rev. Albert Danker, to the Diocese of Central New York.

April 16. The Rev. Edwin B. Russell, to the Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

May 6. The Rev. R. Folsom Baker, to the Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

May 10. The Rev. Wm. M. Pickslay, to the Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

May 26. The Rev. Benjamin T. Hall, to the Diocese of Indiana.

Aug. 30. The Rev. Frank L. Norton, to the Diocese of Maryland.

Sept. 20. The Rev. James B. Wasson, to the Diocese of Massachusetts.

Sept. 23. The Rev. John H. Rogers, to the Diocese of Connecticut.

Sept. 25. The Rev. Wm. M. Barker, to the Diocese of Maryland.

Oct. 1. The Rev. Fred. O. Grannis, to the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

Dec. 7. The Rev. L. F. Morris, to the Diocese of Connecticut.

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Jan. 7. The Rev. F. B. Crozier, to the Diocese of Easton.

Jan. 10. The Rev. Byron J. Hall, to the Diocese of Connecticut.

#### CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDER, A. D. 1876.

The Rev. Newton Dexter.

#### A. D. 1878.

Jan. 22. The Rev. John Prout, the Rev. C. C. Edmunds, Jr.

Sept. 11. The Rev. Jacob Streibert, Jr.

#### A. D. 1879.

Jan. 6. The Rev. Frederick James Bassett.

Jan. 30. The Rev. John Brewster Hubbs.

Feb. 28. Mr. Wm. Booth Guion, Mr. Wm. Densmore Maxon, Mr. Wm. Everett Johnson.

Nov. 26. Mr. Daniel Duroc.

#### A. D. 1880.

Jan. 16. The Rev. Robert H. Neide.

Jan. 17. The Rev. Charles D. Flagler.

May 19. Mr. Arthur B. Morehouse.

#### MISSIONS ORGANIZED.

Feb. 4. Of the Good Shepherd, Raquette Lake.

Sept. 25. Christ Mission, Gloversville.

#### CORNER-STONES LAID.

Aug. 12. St. Andrew's, Norwood, by the Rev. Dr. Howard.

Aug. 12. St. James' Chapel, Milton Centre, by the Rev. Dr. Harison.

**CHURCH 'CONSECRATED.**

Sept. 12. Church of the Good Shepherd, Island of St. Hubert, Raquette Lake.

**CANDIDATE DISMISSED TO OTHER DIOCESE.**

March 8. Mr. Townend G. Jackson, to the Diocese of Central New York.

**POSTULANTS, 1875.**

April 1. Olin Hallock.

May 4. J. R. Arrowsmith.

**A. D. 1876.**

Oct. 16. James Hawley.

**A. D. 1877.**

March 1. H. H. Metcalf.

Nov. 1. John D. Kennedy.

**A. D. 1879.**

May 31. Joseph Jameson, Jerome Eddy Newkirk, Normand Smith Boardman.

June 1. Charles A. Kafka.

Sept. 6. George L. Neide, Jr.

**A. D. 1880.**

April 26. Edmund A. Wasson.

July 30. James J. Olmstead.

Dec. 9. George H. Taylor.

Dec. 9. Henry L. Teller.

**CANDIDATES FOR DEACON'S ORDER, A. D. 1878.**

July 20. Mr. Wm. Dinsmore Maxon, Mr. William B. Guion

Dec. 10. Mr. Arthur B. Morehouse.

**A. D. 1879.**

May 31. Mr. Wm. Everett Johnson.

Sept. 6. Mr. Harry L. Cawthorne, Mr. Daniel W. Duroc.

Nov. 3. Mr. Walter J. Wicks.

**A. D. 1880.**

Sept. 27. Dr. Albert O. Bunn, Mr. John E. Bold.

**LAY READERS LICENSED.**

Feb. 13. Mr. C. Tennant Lee, under the Rev. Dr. Dean, Schuyler-ville.

Feb. 13. Mr. Rollin Porter, under the Rev. Mr. Locke, Saranac Lake.

April 6. Mr. S. Stanley Searing, under the Rev. W. C. Prout, Granville.

April 6. Mr. Olin Hallock, under the Rev. Mr. Bull, Keeseville.

April 6. Dr. George C. Shattuck, under the Rev. Mr. McElroy, Champlain.

April 6. Mr. Edward Dudley Tibbits, under the Rev. John Tibbits, Hoosick.

April 6. Mr. Walter Bradley, under the Rev. Mr. Delafield, East Line.

April 6. Mr. Charles Nazro, under the Rev. Mr. Delafield, Milton Centre.

Dec. 9. Mr. Charles Temple, under the Rev. Mr. Mulford, Troy

#### NOTICES OF CLERGY DEPOSED.

Jan. 12, 1880. F. W. Damus, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Alabama.

Jan. 14, 1880. James Chrystal, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Maryland.

March 19, 1880. Charles Edwin Fitz, Deacon, by the Bishop of Maine.

March 28, 1880. Simon Kinzey Boyer, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

May 18, 1880. George W. Morrill, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Kansas.

May 25, 1880. Charles T. Kellogg, Presbyter, by the Bishop of New Jersey.

Sept. 22, 1880. Morris Ashurst Tyng, Presbyter, by the Bishop of New York.

#### DEPOSITIONS REVOKED.

March 2, 1880. Wm. B. Musgrave, Presbyter (temporarily), by the Bishop of Long Island.

Dec. 24, 1880. William J. Lynd, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Colorado.

#### INHIBITION.

Dec. 7, 1880. S. Russell Jones, Presbyter, from officiating in the Diocese of Albany.

## APPENDIX TO THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

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### A DECLARATION BY THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

WHEREAS, The Lambeth Conference of 1878 set forth the following declaration, to wit:

“ We gladly welcome every effort for reform upon the model of the Primitive Church. We do not demand a rigid uniformity; we deprecate needless divisions; but to those who are drawn to us in the endeavor to free themselves from the yoke of error and superstition, we are ready to offer all help, and such privileges as may be acceptable to them, and are consistent with the maintenance of our principles as enunciated in our formularies; ” which declaration rests upon two indisputable historical facts :

1st. That the body calling itself the Holy Roman Church has by the decrees of the Council of Trent in 1563, and by the dogma of the Immaculate Conception in 1854, and by the decree of the Infallibility of the Pope in 1870, imposed upon the consciences of all the members of the National Churches under its sway, as of the faith, to be held as of implicit necessity to salvation, dogmas having no warrant in Holy Scripture or the ancient Creeds, which dogmas are so radically false as to corrupt and defile the faith; and,

2d. That the assumption of a universal Episcopate by the Bishop of Rome, making operative the definition of Papal infallibility, has deprived of its original independence the Episcopal order in the Latin Churches, and substituted for it a Papal Vicariate for the superintendence of Dioceses; while the virtual change of the Divine Constitution of the Church, as founded in the Episcopate, and the other orders into a tridentine consolidation, has destroyed the autonomy, if not the corporate existence of National Churches;

*Now, therefore,* We Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, assembled in council as Bishops in the Church of God, asserting the principles declared in the Lambeth Conference, and in order to the maintaining of a true unity which must be a unity in the Truth, do hereby affirm that the great primitive rule of the Catholic Church, “ *Episcopatus unus est cujus a singulis in solidum pars tenetur,* ” imposes upon the Episcopates of all National Churches holding the primitive faith and order, and upon the several Bishops of the same, not the right only, but the duty also of protecting in the holding of that faith, and the recovering of that order, those who by the methods before described have been deprived of both; and,

*Further,* The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, assembled in council, not meaning to dispute the validity of consecrations by a single consecrator, put on record their conviction that in the organization of Reformed Churches with which we may hope to have communion, they should follow the teachings of the canons of Nicea, and that when consecration cannot be had by three Bishops of the Province, Episcopal orders should at all events be conferred by three Bishops of National Churches.

Attest :

H. O. P.

## A PASTORAL LETTER.

ALBANY, N. Y., *December*, 1880.*My Dear Rev. Brother :*

With this will go to you the Subscription Books arranged by the Secretaries, according to the scheme deliberately and with great unanimity adopted by the two Houses of General Convention, sitting together as the Board of Missions of this Church. I ask you, each and every one, in every Parish and Mission station in this Diocese, to put this to the test at once, by appointing such and so many persons as you shall deem best solicitors and collectors of subscriptions; and, personally, I beg of you, if possible, cordial co-operation with, and if not that, at least a fair trial of, the plan.

\* I show my faith in it by putting upon the same basis the money to be raised for our Diocesan Missions next year, and I ask you to let the same solicitors and collectors take the books together, and get from every individual within your care, his or her subscription for Missions under one or all of the three heads — Foreign, Domestic, Diocesan.

All giving is either for Missions or for Charities, and every giver has the right to feel more interest in, and to give more liberally to, some than other Missions or Charities. But giving to *Missions*, like giving to Charities, in some shape, is every man's *necessity*.

I want to tell you why I approve of this plan for the present distress:

1st. The uncertainty of Missionary income makes the Boards doubtful and anxious, hinders free appropriations, and distresses the Missionaries. *This* will enable those in authority to know just how much they can count on for their yearly need.

2d. The uneven distribution of giving is a shame and a wrong. Some people are eased by others being burthened. For instance, I am ashamed to find that only seventy-three Parishes in this Diocese last year gave *anything* to either Foreign or Domestic Missions. Of those not giving, some are the dead places and the weak ones. But the amount of the giving in other places is painfully small. This year I hope there will not be *one* live place upon the list of the non-givers.

3dly. I believe that, with this amount pledged and secured, the Free Churches will be safer with offerings for their own support; local demands will be more easily met; Diocesan claims will be better discharged; the great sweep of Charities — Diocesan, Parochial or personal — will be more generously supported; there will be room enough for the various appeals that constantly occur, all offertories being free from any charge for *Missions*, unless in case of unusual appeal.

I am free to say that I agree in the abstract with all the objections that can possibly be urged against this plan. It is for "the present distress." It is because of the "hardness of our hearts." But I commend this as *practical*, and not, in any principle, wrong. And I urge its instant and uniform adoption throughout the Diocese.

There are hops grown a good deal in this Diocese, and the first outlook of a hop field in the Spring is ugly and unpromising, with rough, bare poles and trelises of twine. But in September there is a different story and a gracious result. If we can cover up the commonness and humanness of this *plan* with the luxurious vine of Missionary interest, and enrich that with the fruit of golden gifts,

the plan, out of sight, will have done its work; we shall have done our duty; and towards that mighty work of "turning the world upside down," this Diocese will have contributed a little of "the leaven that leaveneth the whole lump."

Your ever-faithful Brother and Friend,

WM. CROSWELL DOANE.

After the Service, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop of the Diocese.

In accordance with Section i, Canon I, of the Diocese, the Bishop presented the "List of Clergy canonically resident in the Diocese."

The Secretary called the roll of the Clergy, and seventy-six answered to their names.\*

The roll of Parishes entitled to representation was called, and the Bishop appointed the Rev. James Caird and Mr. W. L. Dubois as a Committee, with the Secretary, to examine the credentials of the Lay Delegates.

The Committee presented the credentials of sixty Parishes as correct.

The Secretary then called the names of the Delegates, and forty-two Parishes were found to be represented.†

A constitutional quorum being present, the Rt. Rev. President declared the Convention organized, and ready for business.

The election of officers being in order, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with.

The Rev. W. C. Prout was elected Secretary, Mr. Selden E. Marvin, Treasurer, and the Rev. George Fisher, Registrar.

The Secretary appointed the Rev. Thomas B. Fulcher as the Assistant Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Irving McElroy, it was

*Resolved*, That Clergymen of other Dioceses, Professors and Students of Theology in the Episcopal Church, and all persons holding any office or trust under the Convention, if not members thereof, being present, be invited to seats in the Convention.

The Rt. Rev. President having announced the invitation, the Rev. C. H. Malcom, D. D., of the Diocese of Rhode Island; the Rev. Albert Danker, Ph. D., of the Diocese of Central New York; the Rev. John Coleman, of the Diocese of Connecticut; the Rev. Thomas Cole, of the Diocese of New York; the Rev. J. L. Parks, of the Diocese of California, and Mr. Selden E. Marvin, Treasurer of the Diocese, took seats.

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\* See List of Clergy, page 3.

† See List of Lay Deputies, page 8.



The Committee appointed to examine the credentials of the Lay Delegates reported the certificates from St. John's Church, Richfield Springs, and St. John's, Essex, as defective.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Selkirk, these certificates were referred to the Delegates from those Parishes for correction.

On motion of the Secretary it was

*Resolved*, That the Rules of Order of the last Convention be adopted as the Rules of Order of this Convention.

On motion of the Secretary, it was

*Ordered*, That the Evening Prayer be said each day at five o'clock, and a recess then taken until 7 1-2 o'clock; and that on the second day of the session the Holy Communion be celebrated at 7 1-2 A. M.; Morning Prayer and Litany said at 9 1-2 and a recess taken from 1 until 2 o'clock.

On motion of the Rev. I. McElroy, it was

*Resolved*, That that portion of the Bishop's Address with reference to the Church Building Association, and the presence with us of its Secretary, be referred to a Committee with instructions to report this afternoon.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed as such Committee the Rev. I. McElroy and Mr. Thomas L. Doremus.

The Rev. I. McElroy offered the following resolution, which was laid on the table till the second day:

*Resolved*, That that portion of the Bishop's Address with reference to vacancies of Parishes and changes of the Clergy be referred to a Committee of three, who shall, after due deliberation, present to the next Convention a form of instruction to the Delegates to the next General Convention, as representing the sentiments of this Diocese on this subject.

On motion of the Rev. I. McElroy, it was

*Resolved*, That that portion of the Bishop's Address in reference to Convocations be referred to the Committee on the reorganization of the Board of Missions.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed the regular Committees:

#### ON THE INCORPORATION AND ADMISSION OF CHURCHES.

The Rev. S. H. Cox, D. D.,

Messrs. H. L. Day,  
T. R. Wade.

#### ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Rev. J. W. Stewart,

Messrs. Orlando Meads,

The Rev. Francis Harison, S. T. D.,

James Forsyth,

The Rev. G. W. Dean, S. T. D.,

James Gibson.

The Rev. Walter Delafield,

#### ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER.

Mr. Robert Weir,

Mr. Joseph W. Fuller.

ON THE DIOCESAN FUND AND MILEAGE OF THE CLERGY.

The Rev. T. G. Clemson,  
The Rev. W. Gwynne,

Messrs. L. Hasbruck,  
Henry J. Estcourt,  
James M. Dudley,  
S. E. Marvin.

ON DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The Rev. J. Vaughan Lewis, D. D.,  
The Rev. W. B. Walker,

Messrs. G. B. McCartee,  
P. C. Hitchcock.

ON THE BISHOP'S SALARY AND THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

The Rev. Walter Thompson,  
The Rev. E. R. Armstrong,

Messrs. Milton Heath,  
C. S. Nelson.

ON THE FUND FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGY-  
MEN.

The Rev. Richard Temple,

Messrs. C. B. Pinckney,  
G. C. Valentine.

ON THE AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

The Rev. W. N. Irish,

Messrs. Wm. Gray,  
H. C. Day.

ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Rev. E. R. Armstrong,  
The Rev. John C. Tebbetts,

Messrs. R. M. Townsend,  
T. L. Doremus,  
C. S. Wheeler,  
S. H. St. John.

ON THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF RELIGION AND LEARNING.

The Rev. Walker Gwynne,  
The Rev. Geo. F. Breed,

Mr. Henry Roseboom.

ON NON-REPORTING CLERGY AND PARISHES.

The Rev. H. M. Smyth,

Messrs. Richard Leonard,  
James Forsyth.

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Rev. W. M. Ogden,

Messrs. C. W. Tillinghast,  
W. Van Loan.

ON THE REGISTRAR'S REPORT.

The Rev. C. T. Whittemore,

Mr. N. B. Squires.

ON THE ORPHAN HOUSE AT COOPERSTOWN.

The Rev. Hobart Cooke,

Mr. A. B. Olmsted.

**ON THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP.**

The Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D.,  
The Rev. W. W. Battershall, D. D.,

Messrs. G. B. Warren,  
J. J. Tillinghast,  
Erastus Corning,  
Walter A. Wood,  
W. E. Thorn,  
J. W. Tillinghast.

The following-named Reports were received and referred to the appropriate Committees :

The Report of the Treasurer.

The Report of the Board of Diocesan Missions.

The Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund and of the Bishop's Salary.

The Report of the Trustees of the Fund for Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and the Treasurer of the same.

The Report of the Trustees of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, and the Treasurer of the same.

The Report of the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning.

The Report of the Registrar of the Diocese.

The Reports from the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, Cooperstown.

The Secretary of the last Convention presented and read the following

**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.**

DIocese OF ALBANY, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, }  
*North Granville, N. Y., January 11, 1881.* }

The Secretary of the last Convention respectfully presents the following report.

In accordance with the instructions of the Convention, one thousand copies of the Bishop's Address were printed and sent to the Clergy of the Diocese ; twelve hundred and fifty copies of the Journal of the Convention were also printed and distributed.

Certified copies of the resolutions adopted by the Convention in reference to the Episcopal Fund of New York were duly sent to the Convention of the Diocese of New York, and to the Committee of that Convention to which the memorial from this Diocese was referred. No reply has been received either from the Convention or the Committee.

After waiting as long as the work of printing the Journal would permit, a circular letter was prepared and sent to all Clergy and Parishes, from whom no reports had been received, asking their reason for not fulfilling the requirements of the Canon. The letter was sent to ten Clergy and five Parishes. Of the Clergy, two replied by sending reports ; three replied giving reasons for not reporting ; five did not reply at all. Of the Parishes, two sent reports ; one replied giving reason for not reporting ; two did not reply.

The following Committees are to report to this Convention :

On the Constitution and Canons.

On the Salary of the Bishop.

On the Episcopal Fund of New York.

On Non-reporting Clergy and Parishes.

On the Organization of the Board of Missions.

On the Taxes, Insurance and Repairs on the Bishop's House.

On the claims of John S. Perry, for the purchase of the Bishop's House.

On the Granville Military Academy.

The following letter has been received from the Treasurer of the General Convention :

6 NEWBURY ST., BOSTON, *Jan. 8. 1881.*

*Rev. and Dear Sir:* — The General Convention, at the October meeting in New York City, passed a resolution authorizing its Committee on Expenses to make an assessment on the Dioceses, sufficiently large to pay the traveling expenses of all the Bishops and of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of the next General Convention. The Committee are desirous of having the matter brought before all the Diocesan Conventions, and an expression of opinion and preference made by them. It is only on assurances that a decided majority of all the Diocesan Conventions are in favor of such a mode of meeting the traveling expenses of members of the General Convention that they would exercise the discretionary authority conferred upon them. The matter was discussed at some length at the late meeting of the Convention, with the knowledge that both Presbyterians and Methodists provide in this way for the traveling expenses of the members of their Assemblies. An assessment is made on the Presbyteries or Convocations and by them on the Parishes in the ratio of the communicants, so much a head. Fourteen cents for each communicant during the three years, would provide the means of paying the traveling expenses of members of the next Convention.

Will you be good enough to bring this matter before the Convention of the Diocese of Albany at its approaching meeting, and obtain their views and wishes for the Committee on Expenses of the General Convention.

With regard, very truly yours.

GEO. C. SHATTUCK.

A certificate of nomination for election as members of the Board of Missions has been received from the Secretary of the Ogdensburgh Convocation, viz. : of the Rev. Charles S. Olmsted to be Clerical Member, and Mr. T. Streatfield Clarkson to be Lay Member.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. PROUT, *Secretary.*

*To the Convention of the Diocese of Albany.*

On motion of the Secretary the letter from the Treasurer of the General Convention was referred to the Committee on the Diocesan Fund and Mileage of the Clergy.

Mr. James Forsyth presented and read the following:

# **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THREE TO SETTLE WITH THE DIOCESE OF NEW YORK AS TO THE EPISCOPAL FUND.**

## *To the Convention of the Diocese of Albany :*

The Committee of three (3) appointed by the Convention of 1876, and continued by successive Conventions and not yet discharged, to whom were referred the claims of this Diocese for aid from the Diocese of New York toward the endowment of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany, respectfully report :

That since the last Report of your Committee, dated January 13, 1880, and the adoption by this Convention, at that time, of a series of resolutions (Journal of 1880, p. 63) approving of the action taken by the Committee in regard to "a settlement of this long-standing question," your Committee caused printed copies of the said resolutions to be sent to the Clergy and Lay Delegates to the late Convention of the Diocese of New York. That the Convention of the Diocese of New York, held on the 29th of September, 1880, took action upon two Reports submitted to that Convention by a Special Committee, to whom was referred the petition of the Diocese of Albany together with the resolutions of this Convention above referred to.

The Report of the majority of the Special Committee to that Convention was *adverse* to the claim of Albany in all respects, and recommended the passage of the following resolutions :

*"Resolved, That after duly considering the petition of the Diocese of Albany, presented to the Convention of 1879, by James Forsyth, Ezekiah Sturges and James B. Ross, as a Committee, and the resolutions of the Diocese of Albany, on the same subject, passed at a meeting of its Convention held on the 13th and 14th of January, 1880, the Convention of the Diocese of New York declares that it has no power, in the proper exercise of its functions, to transfer, or direct the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund to transfer to the Diocese of Albany any portion of the fund in the hands of said Trustees, or any funds within its own control, which have been contributed for other purposes, and that it recognizes no further obligation to undertake as a Convention to raise money for the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany.*

*"Resolved, That the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund be directed to add to and consolidate with the permanent fund under their control, all of the invested surplus income now in their control, except the sum of \$5,000, which shall be retained to meet any deficiencies in the income of the permanent fund, which shall not be supplied from other sources."*

The report of the minority of the Special Committee was favorable to the claim of Albany (it was made by the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New York), and it sets forth that "It is evident that the Diocese of New York has in its "Episcopal Fund" moneys paid into said fund during a period of twenty-eight or thirty years, by Parishes now comprising the Diocese of Albany, and all claim to which money they were constrained to yield up before consent could be secured to a division of the Mother Diocese.

It is evident, as appears by the record, that the "just and equitable claim of Albany, to liberal assistance from the Diocese of New York," (not to individual members), was fully recognized by vote, and so entered on the Journal of the Convention, but in our view most lamentably neglected, so far as substantial results were concerned, in the performance.

"It is evident, as appears by the records, that during a period of twenty-eight years, in obedience to Canon, the Parishes comprising the present Diocese of Albany contributed year by year to an 'Accumulating Fund' in addition to their assessment for the support of the Episcopate, and from which said fund they never derived any benefit.

"It is evident, as appears by the Journal, that after the setting off of the Daughter Diocese of Albany, the Diocese of New York commenced to enjoy the fruits of the contributions of this "noble daughter," by the consolidation of her contributions with others into the capital of the Episcopal Fund of the Mother Diocese; and by the use of the increased income therefrom, reducing the assessment laid on the Parishes of said Mother Diocese.

"It is evident, as the Report shows, that the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New York, in addition to the accumulated capital, including the Episcopal residence, of about \$160,000, hold a surplus of income sufficient to liquidate, as we consider, the fair claims of Albany for contributions to the 'Accumulating Fund,' without encroaching upon the said capital of the Fund, provided it could be used for the purpose."

And in conclusion submitted the following resolutions:

*"Resolved,* That the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund be directed to ascertain the amount paid into the "Accumulating Fund" by the Parishes composing the Diocese of Albany, and pay the same over to the proper authority of the said Diocese, with interest at rate of six per cent per annum, viz.: with interest calculated from time of payment to time of separation, and on the accumulation of capital and interest from that date until settlement.

*"Resolved,* That the Trustees of the 'E. F.' be authorized to take any action that may be necessary in their judgment to remove legal or other obstacles, should any exist, to the payment of the said money from any funds under their control, provided that the capital of the fund pledged for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of New York, as reported by the Trustees, is not encroached upon."

Accompanying the report of the minority was a tabulated statement, showing the contributions made by Albany to the "Accumulating Fund" of the Diocese of New York, which with interest to date of the Convention amounted to \$7,558.99.

The two reports of the said Special Committee being before the late Convention of New York, a motion was made to substitute the resolutions of the minority report for those of the majority, and pending the discussion of this motion, it was ordered that the further consideration of the subject be postponed until the next Convention of the Diocese (see Journal of Diocese of New York, 1880, page 69).

From this statement it will be seen that the whole subject is before the Convention of the Diocese of New York for its action at its next session.

Here this report might close, but your Committee deem it prudent to re-state our position and claim, and also the attitude of the Mother Diocese, in order that the ground of controversy may not be concealed or overlaid with immaterial and side issues.

In all the proceedings at the time of the division of the old Diocese, it was steadily contemplated that the new Diocese of Albany, embracing Northern New York, was entitled to and should receive pecuniary assistance from the old Diocese toward the endowment of the Episcopal Fund.

And the sum of \$40,000 was named as the amount to be contributed by the old Diocese toward our Episcopal Fund. ~~And the Journals of the Diocese of New York show it.~~

The territory which is now Albany Diocese had contributed money to the different funds of the old Diocese for many years. And it was required of the proposed new Diocese to relinquish all claim to the old Episcopal Fund. And to make it fair and equitable, if this was done, the old Diocese was to help make up the Episcopal Fund of the new Diocese. Another great consideration for this arrangement was, that the old Diocese get rid of the Northern missionary field, which was costing her over \$4,000 a year, and throw it upon the new Diocese.

Has the old Diocese performed her part of the stipulation?

If she has not, is Albany bound to observe and keep it?

There is mutuality in this arrangement and both are bound, or neither is bound.

We have given up our claim upon the Episcopal Fund of the old Diocese, but the old Diocese has not contributed toward the endowment of our Episcopal Fund as she was bound to do.

Besides contributing for a quarter of a century and more under the Canon, toward the Episcopal Fund of New York, we have for the same length of time been contributing to an "Accumulating Fund" in the old Diocese, which is also for the support of the Bishop of New York; and, when we ask for these latter contributions to be refunded to us, and respectfully propose a method by which the old Diocese may contribute by installments annually toward the endowment of our Episcopal Fund, we are met with a declaration by a majority of the Special Committee of the Diocesan Convention of New York that the Convention of New York has no power to transfer any funds within its control, and that it recognizes no further obligations to undertake as a Convention to raise money for the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany. And further, they propose to add to and consolidate with the permanent fund (which is for the support of the Episcopate of New York) all of the invested "surplus income," except \$5,000, retained to meet any deficiency in the income of the permanent fund.

In reference to the plan suggested by this Committee to the Diocese of New York, by which its obligations to this Diocese should be fulfilled without impairing the Episcopal Fund of New York, we take leave to observe that the only reason hitherto assigned for the failure of the older Diocese to make good its promises to the younger was that of inability. It was said that Committees had been appointed, circulars issued, applications made; but that the money could not be collected; therefore, the Convention of New York was said to have exhausted its powers; and it was alleged that it was useless to make any further effort. We have nothing to say as to the premises or the conclusions of this argument.

If it be indeed a fact that the church in the Diocese of New York cannot obtain from its members the necessary funds to make good its obligations, its condition must have sadly changed since the Clergy and Laity of Northern New York and Long Island took leave of its Convention. But we do not propose to discuss this. We propose a plan of whose practical character there can be no reasonable doubt. If it be impossible to raise \$40,000 at one time, give us instead, "the small sum of \$2,500 annually for twenty years." The present value of this is about a third part of what would have been the amount of the \$40,000 originally promised to us if accumulated to this time. In effect we propose to throw off two-thirds of our claim in order to secure the remainder and end an unpleasant controversy. If it be said that this also is impossible, we reply that the amount asked for is less than *one per cent* on the salaries of the Clergy of the Diocese. It is utterly insignificant in comparison with the wealth and resources of the church in New York. It is to be remembered also that there is a prece-



dent (which unfortunately was not followed in 1868) for the Diocese of New York engaging to make an annual payment to help a new Diocese. When Western New York was set off, New York not only gave up to it all its permanent missionary funds, but agreed to pay and did pay, without difficulty or question, the sum of \$10,000, in quarterly payments extending over four years, in aid of its missionary work; having previously made a liberal division of the Episcopal Fund. We are forced to conclude, therefore, that the plea of inability on the part of New York is no longer tenable.

One great obstacle in the way of effecting a settlement of this controversy is the statute of 1845, by which a corporation was created, called "The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New York." As soon as any claim or demand is made upon the old Diocese for the performance of any duty or obligation toward this Diocese involving the payment or refunding of money, a retreat is at once effected behind this barrier. If there is an earnest desire to meet the just and equitable claim of Albany, the Legislature may remove this obstacle by an amendatory statute, and enable the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of New York, under the order of the Convention, to settle and pay the claim of Albany by installments or otherwise, without disturbing the principal of the Episcopal Fund of New York.

Your Committee, in view of the many friendly expressions of sympathy and recognition of our claim in the Convention of New York, will not allow itself to doubt that justice and equity will eventually prevail in this controversy, and the original intention of the parties to the division of the Mother Diocese will be carried out with integrity and honor, and that the claim of Albany, of which she stands in so much need, will sooner or later be settled and paid.

JAMES FORSYTH,

*For the Committee.*

The Rev. J. L. Reese, D. D., presented the following

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRANVILLE MILITARY ACADEMY.

The Committee appointed by the last Convention "to overlook the interests of the Church in the North Granville Military Academy," respectfully report:

The Committee was appointed under the assurances of Mr. W. C. Willcox, who made special efforts "to afford to the Church an education for its boys under its own supervision and influence."

Since the last Convention the school has passed out of Mr. Willcox's hands into other and different management. The present proprietor desires that the school shall be what is ordinarily known as "Non-sectarian." He writes: "We shall be glad to receive boys from Episcopal families, and shall give them all facilities at our command for enjoying the privileges of their Church, yet we cannot call the School an Episcopal school without attempting to sail under false colors."

Your Committee are thus assured that the Church's boys will be gladly received, their education well cared for, and their religious privileges cheerfully accorded them. But as no official supervision or patronage is asked from the Diocese, your Committee ask to be excused from further service, and present the following resolution for adoption by the Convention:

*Resolved*, That the Committee on the Granville Military Academy be discharged.

Respectfully submitted,



On motion, the resolution contained in the Report was adopted.

Mr. James Forsyth, for the Committee on Non-reporting Clergy and Parishes, to which were referred "such parts of the Bishop's Address to the last Convention as relate to the loss by certain Parishes of their union with the Convention," (see Journal 1880, p. 90), presented a verbal report, asking to be continued in charge of the subject until the next Convention.

On motion, the request of the Committee was granted.

The Rev. Dr. Reese presented and read the

## REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Albany present to the Convention the following Report :

The Committee have held five meetings. At the first meeting, held January 14, the Rev. Dr. Payne was elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Reese, Secretary.

They have recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Priesthood :

The Rev. Norman H. Burnham,	The Rev. Edwin Ruthven Armstrong,
The Rev. Frederic J. Bassett,	The Rev. John B. Hubbs,
The Rev. Hobart C. Brayton.	

They have recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate :

Robert Howland Neide,	Charles C. Edmunds, Jr.,
John Prout,	Jacob Streibert, Jr.,
Charles D. Flagler,	John B. Hubbs,
Frederic James Bassett.	

They have recommended as Candidates for Holy Orders :

Albert C. Bunn, M. D.,	Henry L. Teller,
John E. Bold,	Olin Hallock.

At a meeting held May 15, the President was authorized to sign the Report on the State of the Church in the Diocese of Albany, to be presented to the General Convention, and the time for the regular meetings of the Committee was changed to the Monday evenings in the Ember weeks.

At a meeting held September 27, the Bishop, having requested the advice of the Committee, was advised to establish a Mission at Gloveraville.

At a meeting held December 20, a petition was received from members of St. Paul's Free Chapel, Troy, asking for permission to organize a new Parish. The Committee were not prepared to give their assent to the organization of the new Parish asked for by the petitioners, but affirmed the judgment of the Bishop already given to the members of St. Paul's Free Chapel, with the proviso that the Bishop should attain, if possible, from the Vestry of St. Paul's, Troy, the passage of a resolution affirming their willingness to withdraw their objections to the organization of the new Parish when the ability of the people shall have been satisfactorily tested.

WM. PAYNE, *President.*

J. LIVINGSTON REESE, *Secretary*

The Rev. J. W. Stewart presented the following :

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

The Committee on Canons of the Convention of 1880 respectfully report that they have given attention to the duty imposed upon them of preparing a new edition of the Constitution and Canons, with the laws relating to the Incorporation of Churches, etc. The stereotype plates of the Canons had been mislaid at the printers, and were not found until so late in the season that it was thought best not to incur the expense of making the necessary alterations and printing an edition until after the present Convention, when the matter can be promptly attended to.

By order of the Committee.

J. W. STEWART,  
*Chairman.*

The Rev. F. M. Cookson presented the following Report, which, on motion of the Rev. J. L. Reese, D. D., was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons, with authority to print for the use of the Convention, if, in their judgment, it should be deemed necessary.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Committee having considered the resolutions referred to them and the whole question of the greater efficiency of the Board of Missions, and greater interest on the part of the Convocations in their meetings, and increased interest in the work of missions within our borders, respectfully report the following amendments to Canon XIV, viz. :

Amendments to Canon XIV. (Preamble the same. Section 1, do.)

SECTION 2. The said Board of Missions shall consist of the Bishop, who shall be *ex officio* the President thereof; and of ten other members, viz.: One Clergyman and one Layman, from each of the Convocations hereinafter provided for, who shall be annually chosen by the Convention, and by ballot, unless the same be unanimously dispensed with. The clerical members so chosen shall become Archdeacons of the districts in which they reside. The clerical members shall be nominated by the Bishop, and the Lay members by the Convention.

All vacancies occurring in the Board during the recess of the Convention may be filled by the Board.

SEC. 3. The evening session of the Convention on the first day of each annual meeting shall be devoted to the reception and consideration of the Report of the Board of Missions and of its Treasurer; the election of the Board, and other business connected with the subject.

SEC. 4. The Board of Missions shall meet on the day after the adjournment of the Convention in each year, and elect a Secretary from its own number, and a Treasurer; adopt its own rules of order; apportion to each Convocation the proportion of the sum voted by the Convention for the Mission work of the Diocese to be collected in it, and appropriate a block sum to each Convocation, to be distributed by it for the work within its limits.

The Board may hold other meetings during the year, according to its own rules, and shall meet on the day preceding the annual Convention, to audit the accounts.

of the Treasurer, to receive the Reports of the Secretaries and Treasurers of the several Convocations, and to adopt a Report to the Convention.

• SEC. 5. The Diocese, for the purposes of its Missionary work, shall be divided into five districts, to be called Convocations, as follows, viz. :

1. ALBANY — Comprising Albany, Greene, Columbia, Schenectady, Montgomery, Fulton and Herkimer counties.

2. TROY — Comprising Rensselaer, Saratoga, Washington and Warren counties.

3. THE SUSQUEHANNA — Comprising Delaware, Otsego and Schoharie counties.

4. OGDENSBURG — Comprising St. Lawrence and Franklin counties.

5. LAKE CHAMPLAIN — Comprising Clinton, Essex and Hamilton counties.

SEC. 6. Each of these districts shall be represented by the Clergy canonically resident within its limits, together with the Lay Delegates to the Diocesan Convention for the time being.

The executive officer of the district shall be the Archdeacon of the Convocation, elected by the Convention, and he shall preside therein, in the absence of the Bishop. Some member of the district shall be elected annually by ballot, at the first stated meeting after the Diocesan Convention, a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall hold office until his successor be appointed. Vacancies shall be filled by the Bishop, except as otherwise provided for, until action can be had at a regular meeting. Any number of members present at a meeting duly called shall be competent to transact business. Each Clergyman and each Lay Delegate shall have one vote.

SEC. 7. It shall be the duty of the Archdeacon to take the special oversight of the Missionary work in his district, and to confer respecting its plans and details with the Bishop.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary and Treasurer to keep the records, and to present a Report of the condition and progress of Missionary work in the different stations in the district, annually to the Board of Missions, at its regular meeting immediately before the Diocesan Convention; to receive contributions from the Parishes and Mission Stations and to forward the same to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions quarterly, or more frequently; to keep and account for the money of the district, paying out only such sums as he shall be authorized to pay by a regular meeting.

SEC. 8. Under the advice of the Bishop each district shall conduct the Diocesan Missionary work within its own limits; shall have control and distribution of the money received from the Board of Missions in aid of Mission Stations and feeble Parishes; shall apportion among its several Parishes and Missions the sums from time to time asked from it by said Board, and receive the same; and may, at its own discretion, with the approval of the Bishop, undertake special Missionary work, and raise funds for such purposes, provided it shall first have complied with the requirements of the Board of Missions.

SEC. 9. Each district shall hold stated meetings for the transaction of its business, the first meeting to be as soon after the Convention as may be, and no appropriations or apportionments shall be made except at these meetings.

SEC. 10. Any Mission Station designated by the Convocation may be organized by the Bishop on the application of residents of its neighborhood. But such Station shall not be established within the parochial cure of any other Minister or Ministers without either the consent of such Minister or a majority of such Ministers, or upon the authority of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. The Bishop may appoint, upon the organization of the Mission, a Churchwarden, a Clerk, and a Treasurer, which officers shall thereafter be elected by the congregation annually in Easter week, in the same manner as provided for the choice of Deputies to Convention

by Section 2 of Canon II of this Diocese. They shall, as far as possible, discharge the duties which belong to their respective offices in incorporated Parishes.

No Missionary shall be appointed, except on nomination of the Bishop, who shall also have power to remove Missionaries; and no appropriation shall be made by the district in aid of any organized Parish, except on the application of the Wardens and Vestrymen of said Parish, with the written consent and approval of the Minister, if there be one.

In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the absence of the Bishop from the Diocese, or of his being otherwise unable to perform his duties, the Board of Missions shall have the power of appointing and removing Missionaries.

SEC. 11. It shall be the duty of every member of the Church in the Diocese to contribute, as God hath prospered him, to the funds of the Board of Missions; and every Clergyman having Parochial or Missionary charge shall impress this duty upon his people and use all wise means of collecting their offerings.

SEC. 12. The traveling expenses of the members of the Board of Missions, attending the meetings of the Board, shall be paid out of its treasury.

SEC. 13. The title of all property, real or personal, given or purchased for the use of any Mission Station, shall be vested in "The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Albany."

FENWICK M. COOKSON,  
*Chairman.*

The Rev. C. C. Edmunds offered the following proposed amendment to Canon I, which was referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons:

*Resolved*, That Canon I be amended by prefixing the following proposed matter as sections 1 and 2 respectively, and by changing the present numbering of sections to correspond therewith, to wit:

SEC. 1. It is hereby required that on and after Monday in Easter week, in the year of our Lord 1884, in order to representation in the Convention of the Diocese of Albany, the Parishes of the Diocese shall elect none but communicant members of the Church to the office of Wardens or Vestrymen.

SEC. 2. The certificate of Lay Delegates to the Convention shall plainly state that the Wardens and Vestrymen of a Parish sending a Delegation are communicants of the Church.

On motion of the Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D., it was

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to take into consideration that portion of the Bishop's address of 1880, (pp. 29 and 30 of the Journal), which relates to the holding of Conventions once in eighteen months.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed as such Committee the Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D., Mr. T. R. Wade and Mr. A. B. Cox.

The Rev. W. M. Ogden presented and read

## THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Committee on Unfinished Business have to report that on page 92, offered by the Rev. Mr. Phillips and Rev. Mr. [redacted] resolution of the Rev. Mr. Cookson on page 9 [redacted]

present Convention, will appear before the Convention under new form, having been committed to the Committee on Constitution and Canons to report on. They find no other unfinished business in the Journal for 1880.

Signed,

W. M. OGDEN,

C. W. TILLINGHAST.

The Secretary of the Convention presented and read the following :

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE FOR TAXES, INSURANCE AND REPAIRS ON THE BISHOP'S HOUSE.

The Committee to whom was referred the payment of taxes, insurance and necessary repairs on the Bishop's house, beg leave to report —

That in pursuance of their duty, they, being desirous of raising the amount necessary without a formal assessment, issued the following circular :

ALBANY, *July 15, 1880.*

SIR — During the session of the late Diocesan Convention, a Committee was appointed to look after the taxes, insurance, repairs, etc., on the Bishop's house, and to raise money for the payment of the same.

At a meeting of the Committee lately held, it was decided that it would be necessary to raise about \$1,000 a year for this object, and that, as it was a matter in which the whole Diocese ought to have an interest, and each Parish bear its part of the burden, therefore, a general appeal to the Parishes should be made asking them to pledge a certain sum to be paid each year between the months of October and January, to the Treasurer of the Committee, and that a report of the receipts and disbursements should be made at the annual Convention.

I am authorized by the Committee to ask you if your Parish will pledge \$ a year for this object, and to earnestly request you to use your best endeavors to secure this amount. In case the above amount is beyond your ability, please state what amount you can pledge. A prompt reply is requested.

Yours truly,

AMASA J. PARKER, Jr.,

*Chairman.*

“ LEWIS M. GRAY,

*Secretary and Treasurer.”*

But meeting with no satisfactory results, few Parishes deigning to answer the circular, another meeting was held and the Committee believing themselves justified under the resolution appointing them, issued a notice of assessment as follows :

ALBANY, *Dec. 1, 1880.*

“ The Standing Committee appointed by the Diocesan Convention of 1880 to “ take charge of the matter of taxes, insurance and repairs of the Bishop's house, and to collect money required for the payment of the same,” finding that the sum necessary to be raised to pay the balance due for the year 1879, and for the current year 1880, will be about \$1,000, held a meeting on the 27th of November, 1880, and adopted the following :

*"Resolved, That the sum of \$1,000 be assessed on the Parishes for that purpose, and that the Secretary be directed to advise the various Parishes of the sums assessed to each of them, with the request that a response be forwarded to him before the first day of January, 1881, that the Committee may be able to report to the Convention on the 11th day of January.*

AMASA J. PARKER JR.,  
*Chairman.*

LEWIS M. GRAY,  
*Secretary and Treasurer, at the Albany City Bank.*

*" The amount assessed upon your Parish is \$*

*" NOTE.—The amount this year is much larger than will be ordinarily required by reason of its including extraordinary expenses in the way of repairs last year. The Committee estimate that hereafter the amount required will not exceed six hundred dollars a year."*

The Committee added the above "note" because on close examination they decided that their first estimate would be in excess of the amount required after the year 1880.

The response to that assessment is hereby given in detail :

Twenty-six Parishes pledged themselves for this year, aggregating three hundred and sixty-four dollars (\$364), as follows :

Cathedral of All Saints .....	\$50
St. Peter's Church, Albany, *conditional .....	50
St. Paul's Church, Albany, *conditional.....	30
Christ Church, Walton... ..	10
St. Luke's Church, Catskill... ..	10
Emmanuel Church, Little Falls.....	5
St. Matthew's Church, Unadilla.....	10
St. Paul's Church, Troy . . . . .	50
St. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls.....	20
Grace Church, Waterford .....	20
Trinity Church, Potsdam.....	10
Grace Church, Canton.....	23
Trinity Church, Gouverneur.....	10
Holy Cross Church, Warrensburgh.....	15
St. Peter's Church, Hobart ....	5
Christ Church, Port Henry .....	5
St. Mark's Church, Malone.....	5
St. James' Church, Hogansburgh .....	2
St. John's Church, Massena.....	2
Grace Church, Louisville Landing.....	1
Calvary Church, Cairo.....	5
St. Augustine's Church, Ilion.....	5
St. John's Church, Richfield Springs.....	3
St. Stephen's Church, Schuylerville .....	5
St. Andrew's Church, Schroon Lake .....	5
Christ Church, Morristown.....	5
Grace Church, Norfolk.....	3
 Total.....	 \$364

\*On condition the whole amount should be raised.

The following named Parishes have remitted the amounts promised, viz. :

Holy Cross Church, Warrensburgh .....	\$15 00
Christ Church, Port Henry .....	5 00
St. John's, Richfield Springs .....	3 00
Calvary, Cairo .....	5 00
St. Mark's, Hoosick Falls .....	20 00
St. Peter's, Hobart .....	5 00
St. Mark's, Malone .....	5 00
St. John's, Massena .....	2 00
St. James', Hogansburgh .....	2 00
Grace Church, Louisville Landing .....	1 00
Trinity, Gouverneur .....	5 00
St. Luke's, Catskill .....	10 00
St. Augustine's, Ilion .....	5 00
St. Stephen's, Schnylerville .....	5 00
St. Paul's, Troy .....	50 00
St. Paul's, Kinderhook .....	20 00
Christ Church, Morristown .....	5 00
Vestry of Grace Church, Canton .....	23 00

Total ..... **\$186 00**

The Committee have paid out of the above for insurance, due

January 1, 1881.. .....	\$28 75
Postage, etc .....	7 50
	<b>36 25</b>

Leaving a balance on hand of..... **\$149 75**

The total indebtedness on the Bishop's house for taxes, insurance, repairs, etc., due at the present time, as shown by bills presented to your Committee, is as follows :

Taxes and water rents .....	\$517 50
Insurance (since paid)....	28 75
Repairs:	
Ceilings. ....	\$175 00
Furnace ...	55 27
Plumbing ....	153 00
Carpenter.....	57 69
Roof .....	14 00
	<b>454 96</b>
Postage, etc., of Committee (since paid).....	7 50

Total ..... **\$1,008 71**

Of the above amount, the Committee have paid insurance...	28 75
Postage, etc.....	7 50
	<b>36 25</b>

Leaving a balance due of..... **\$972 46**

With cash on hand of \$149.75 to pay it.



It will, therefore, be seen that your Committee has failed to accomplish the objects of its appointment, and the undersigned would respectfully suggest that in their judgment it would be economy of time, trouble and expense, if the wants of the Diocese were committed to one Board of Finance, to raise by one assessment all the money necessary for the annual expenses of the Episcopate and of such current disbursements as shall be found necessary.

Asking to be discharged from further consideration of the matter, your Committee respectfully submit the foregoing as their report.

AMASA J. PARKER, Jr.,  
R. S. OLIVER,  
WALTER P. WARREN,  
H. C. LOCKWOOD.

LEWIS M. GRAY,  
*Secretary and Treasurer.*

The following resolution was offered by Rev. W. W. Battershall, D. D. :

*Resolved*, That the Committee to provide for Taxes, Insurance and Repairs on the Bishop's House are hereby empowered to apportion to each Parish in union with this Convention, the expenses for the year past for the above objects, and also the expenses for the current year.

On motion of the Rev. E. N. Potter, D. D., LL. D., the whole subject was laid on the table until the second day.

On motion, the Convention took a recess until half-past seven o'clock in the evening.

FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON.

The Evening Prayer was said, the Rev. J. Coleman, of Connecticut, the Rev. George Fisher and the Rev. G. L. Neide officiating.

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HALF PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING.

The Convention reassembled.

A special Missionary Service, set forth by the Bishop, was said, the Rev. Messrs. F. H. T. Horsfield, G. L. Neide and A. F. Todrig officiating.

After the service the Right Rev. President took the chair, and called the Convention to order.

The Report of the Board of Missions was presented and read by the Rev. W. R. Woodbridge, Secretary of the Board.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS, 1881.

The Board of Missions respectfully report as follows :

The meeting of the Board, on the morning after the last Convention in Troy, was one of great hopefulness, inspired by the hearty and prompt response to the Bishop's appeal to put away the stain as well as the burden of debt resting upon the most important work of Diocesan



The generous offerings presented at that Convention, while making none of the givers really any poorer, enriched and filled the treasury of the Board for its pressing needs, and gave the members courage to go forward and do the work of the year upon a scale of expenditure and effort more worthy of the wants of perishing souls at our own doors, and more worthy of the Master who sent His Church to preach the Gospel to every creature.

But mindful of many former disappointments, the Board (following in this the advice of the Convention) limited its appropriations to the amount expended the preceding year, viz. : \$8,000, making provision for the payment of the long-standing debt to the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.

You have all been informed of the results. How, at the second meeting in April, the Board was compelled to say "No" to the new places asking for recognition as Stations; and to say "No" to the Missionaries who had hoped the enthusiasm of the Convention would really bring them the much-needed increase of stipend. The history of our Mission work shows this continually-repeated alternation of feverish enthusiasm actually insisting by *vote* on a larger appropriation than the year before, followed by a chill which seems to close up the hearts and purses of the same people with colder and harder casings than the bridges of ice that now span our rivers and lakes.

Does not such a discordance, not to say opposition, between the utterances of the mouth at Convention, and the refusal to give in the home Parish, put us in the position of that son who said to his father, "I go, sir," and went not? And shall we not fear the like condemnation if we do not use every effort to arouse ourselves and each other to come out of this unhealthy condition of fever and chills into a wholesome state of conscience, mind and will, by taking the bitter tonic of our own past experience, as well as of the oft-repeated warnings, rebukes and denunciations pronounced upon the unfaithful servant.

Our consciences may well be stirred by the remembrance that we have received the Gospel not only to save our own souls, but as a trust for others.

Our minds need to be informed, and as far as possible *stored* with knowledge of the needs of the various Stations, and openings for stations in the Diocese. And our wills need to be directed into *some systematic* way of giving. In all this we need to remember the words of Christ Himself: "Freely ye have received, freely give."

Four meetings of the Board have been held during the year, at one of which there was no quorum present.

There are now at work, under appointment of the Board, forty-four Missionaries, having charge of seventy-two Stations, and there are at present thirteen Stations vacant. A list of these Stations and Missionaries, with their stipends, is appended to this report.

The Board has considered the resolution adopted at the last Convention, suggesting the appointment of an Executive Committee to act in the intervals between the regular meetings of the Board, and reports that it does not deem it necessary to appoint such Committee, in view of the inherent power of the Bishop to make appointments in such interim, or, in case of need, to call a special meeting of the Board.

The Board are gratified that the Treasurer can present a Report so much better than we had reason to expect a few weeks ago. And it hopes that the Convention will make such appropriations for the next year's work, and so arrange for the prompt payment of the promised amount, that the treasury of Diocesan Missions may never again be reported as in debt.

Three numbers of "Our Mission Work" have been issued during the year under the able and faithful editorship of the Rev. F. M. Cookson. The Board

advises the continuance of its publication to serve as a means of communication between the Board and the Diocese.

The Board having under consideration the plan of raising funds by subscription-books, as adopted by the General Convention for Foreign and Domestic Missions, and recommended by the Bishop in his address to be applied to the raising of money for Diocesan Missions, warmly commends it to the consideration of this meeting and to the Convention for adoption.

In conclusion the Board recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That it is expedient that the sum of \$———— be raised for the Mission work in this Diocese for the ensuing year, and that the Clergy and Laity use every means to endeavor to reach the above sum.

## STATIONS, MISSIONARIES AND STIPENDS.

### I. THE CONVOCATION OF ALBANY.

County.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Stipend.
Albany.....	Trinity.....	Rensselaerville } Berne } Westerlo }	Rev R. Washbon.....	
Greene .....	Calvary . . . .	Cairo.....	Rev. W. C. Grubbe....	\$250
	Grace . . . . .	Prattsville } Windham }	.....	200
	Trinity . . . . .	Athens.....	Rev. J. W. Stewart....	100
	Christ.....	Coxsackie . . . . .	Rev. N. Dexter... ..	75
	Christ.....	Greeneville }	Rev. H. C. Brayton....	150
	St. Paul's.....	Oak Hill }		
Herkimer...	Trinity . . . . .	Fairfield }		
	Grace . . . . .	Norway }	Rev. B. R. Kirkbride ..	250
	Memorial.....	Middleville }		
Montgomery.	St. Augustine's	Ilion . . . . .	Rev. E. R. Armstrong..	250
	Zion.....	Fonda }	Associate Mission un-	
		Gloversville }	der Rev. C. C. Ed-	
		Northville }	munds, Rev. C. C.	375
	Good Shepherd	Canajoharie }	Edmunds, Jr., and	
	Holy Cross....	Fort Plain }	Rev. R. H. Neide }	
				\$1,650

### II. THE CONVOCATION OF TROY.

County.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Stipend.
Columbia...	St. Luke's . . . .	Clermont . . . . .	.....	
	St. John's . . .	Copake . . . . .	Rev. G. W. Dean, S.T. D	
	Trinity.....	Claverack . . . . .	Rev. W. M. Cook.....	\$150
	Our Saviour ..	New Lebanon }	Rev. Joseph Hooper...	150
		Chatham Centre }		
Rensselaer..	Trinity . . . . .	Schaghticoke }	.....	325
		Old Schaghticoke }		
Saratoga ...	St. Stephen's..	Schuylerville . . . .	Rev. H. C. E. Costelle.	300
	St. Luke's . . . .	Mechanicville.....	.....	75
	St. Paul's.....	Charlton }	Rev. H. R. Timlow....	100
		West Charlton }		
	St. John's . . . .	East Line.....	Rev. W. Delafield.....	
	St. John's . . . .	Conklingville . . . .	.....	

## STATIONS, MISSIONARIES AND STIPENDS—(Continued).

## II. THE CONVOCATION OF TROY — (Continued).

County.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Stipend.
Warren....	Holy Cross...	Warrensburgh....	Rev. W. M. Ogden ....	\$75
	Good Shepher'd	Chester ....	Rev. C. D. Flagler.....	
	St. Sacrament.	Bolton		
Washington		French Mountain }	Rev. C. H. Lancaster	50
	St. Luke's ....	Cambridge .....	Rev. F. H. T. Horsfield	200
	Trinity .....	Granville		
		North Granville }	Rev. Wm. C. Prout ...	250
Essex ...	St. Paul's.....	Salem.....	Rev. J. H. Houghton..	250
	St. Andrew's..	Schroon Lake ...	Rev. A. F. Todrig .....	
	Of the Cross	Ticonderoga .....	Rev. W. H. Cook .....	200
	Christ .....	Port Henry }		
	Emmanuel ..	Mineville }	Rev. W. R. Woodbridge	350
	St. John's ...	Essex		
		Elizabethtown }	Rev. E. L. Toy.....	300
Clinton... .	St. James'....	Au Sable Forks ...	Rev. C. A. Bragdon....	250
	Christ .....	Rouses Point }		
	St. John's.....	Champlain }	Rev. I. McElroy.....	250
	St. Peter's ...	Ellenburgh .....	Rev. S. M. Rogers..	100
	St. Paul's ....	Centreville .....		
	St. Luke's ...	Chazy.....		
	St. John's. ...	Salmon River .....	Rev. H. M. Smyth ...	
				\$3,525

## III. CONVOCATION OF THE SUSQUEHANNA.

County.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Stipend.
Delaware ...	Christ.....	Walton.....	Rev. S. B. Rathbun ...	\$125
Otsego .....	St. James'....	Oneonta .....	Rev. J. B. Hubbs.....	250
	Immanuel ....	Otego .....	Rev. J. W. McIlwaine.	100
	St. Timothy's.	Westford		
	St. John's ...	Portlandville }	Rev. T. A. Snyder.....	150
	St. John's ....	Richfield Springs..		
Schoharie...	Christ.....	West Burlington..	Rev. Hobart Cooke . .	
	Christ .....	Batternuts . . . .	Rev. E. A. Hartman ...	125
	St. Paul's.....	East Springfield...		
	St. Luke's ....	Middleburgh.....		100
				\$350

## IV. THE CONVOCATION OF OGDENSBURGH.

County.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Stipend.
Franklin ...	St. John's....	St. Regis Lake }	Rev. A. H. Locke.....	\$200
	St. Luke's ....	Saranac Lake }		
	St. Peter's ...	Brush's Mills }		
St. Lawrence	St. Mark's ...	West Bangor }		200
	St. Thomas' ..	Lawrenceville }		
Franklin ...	St. James'....	Hogansburgh		
St. Lawrence	St. John's ....	Massena	Rev. J. N. T. Goss ..	525
		Helena		
		Long Sault Island		
	Grace .....	Louisville Land'g }		

#### IV. THE CONVOCAION OF OGDENSBURGII—(Continued).

County.	Church.	Place.	Missionary.	Stipend.
St. Lawrence	St. Paul's.....	Waddington .....	Rev. T. G. Clemson....	\$300
	Trinity .....	Gouverneur.....	Rev. S. B. Bostwick, S. T. D.....	
	Christ .....	Morristown } .....	Rev J. D. Morrison, D. D., LL. D .....	125
	St. Luke's ....	Lisbon		
		Heuvelton		
		Hammond		
	Grace .....	Norfolk } .....	Rev. Z. T. Savage.....	400
	St. Andrew's..	Norwood }		
	St. Mary's....	Colton	Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D. ....	350
	St. Joseph's..	West Stockholm }		
		Hanawa Falls		
	Trinity .....	Morley }	Rev. C. S. Olmsted.....	275
	St. Philip's...	Madrid }		
		Cranberry Lake...	Rev. W. A. Rich.....	
				\$2,375

# REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

DIOCESE OF ALBANY, }  
 ALBANY, *Dec. 31*, A. D. 1880. }

*To the Board of Missions :*

The receipts for the year have been.....	\$11,588 71
The disbursements for the year have been.....	\$9,518 91
Balance due Treasurer per last report.....	2,070 93
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	11,584 84
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Balance on hand.....	\$3 87

We have great reason to congratulate ourselves upon the favorable condition of our finances as herewith presented. We are out of debt, having paid the debt to the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, the long-standing debt which the Board felt obligated to take upon itself five years and more ago for an accumulation of taxes, insurance and repairs upon the Bishop's house, and which originally amounted to \$2,800, and which has hung upon us with its Herculean grasp until now, and the stipends and other incidental expenses to this time.

I desire to express my grateful thanks to those liberal-hearted, generous men and women who have responded to my appeals for the discharge of the old debt on the Bishop's house. With considerable reluctance I presented the matter to many of them, and especially those who responded to a similar appeal last year, but I felt all would rejoice to have this out of the way and save any cause to trespass upon a generosity oft-times with many repeated. In the future, with the good cause we have for mutual rejoicing upon our splendid condition, I trust every effort will be made by Clergy and Laymen to prevent ever again making its appearance.

The new plan that is to be presented for gathering in the means to carry on our Missionary work for the coming year commends itself to my judgment and support, and if pursued earnestly and vigorously, and to reach the desired end by Clergy and people, I believe a much larger sum will be raised for our support than ever before. At the same time I would urge upon the Convention such careful action in its appropriations for the work for the ensuing year, as will keep us within the limits of our probable receipts, granting to the Board authority to enlarge its appropriations, provided the receipts from the new plan will justify the same.

Very truly,

SELDEN E. MARVIN.

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

ALBANY, December 31, 1880.

### *Receipts*

From the Convocation of Albany.....	\$3,200 55
From the Convocation of Troy .....	2,974 81
From the Convocation of the Susquehanna.....	545 28
From the Convocation of Ogdensburgh.....	1,507 46
For special purposes.....	242 84
From sundry sources.....	3,027 77
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	\$11,588 71

### *Disbursements.*

Due Treasurer, per last Report.....	\$2,070 93
Stipends, Convocation of Albany.....	1,443 91
Stipends, Convocation of Troy.....	3,237 50
Stipends, Convocation of the Susquehanna ..	870 83
Stipends, Convocation of Ogdensburgh .....	2,295 50
Special purposes.....	242 84
Sundry payments.....	1,423 33
Balance on hand .....	3 87
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	\$11,588 71
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By balance on hand.....	\$3 87

The undersigned have examined the Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, have compared the vouchers with the disbursements and find the same to be correct.

T. A. SNYDER,  
T. S. CLARKSON,  
*Committee.*

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS, ON ACCOUNT OF DEBT ON THE BISHOP'S HOUSE.

### *Receipts.*

Balance on hand from last Report.....	\$447 63
From five Parishes.....	24 00
Special contributions.....	797 08
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	\$1,268 71

*Disbursements.*

Paid note to Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.....	\$1,250 00
Printing, postage, etc. ....	18 71
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	\$1,268 71
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The Rev. J. V. Lewis, D. D., presented and read the following :

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE REPORT OF  
THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.**

The Committee appointed upon the Report of the Board of Missions congratulate the Diocese upon the fact that the Board begins the year without debt.

Your Committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the Report. But in regard to the resolution appended thereto, your Committee agree so heartily with the sentiments embodied in the Report that they beg leave to dissent from the conclusion embodied in the resolution.

Your Committee feel that the passing of such resolutions, which have only moral force and weight, tends to weaken the moral sense of the Diocese touching its own acts in Convention. Conventional action ought to be formal and effectual, and ought to provide for its own execution.

Your Committee believe that the past experience of the Board of Missions is the best possible guide to its appropriations for the coming year, and while your Committee advocate renewed efforts on the part of all the members of the Convention to increase the receipts of the Board, they deprecate the passage of any resolution of quasi-appropriation of a definite sum to be expended by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN VAUGHAN LEWIS,  
WM. BOBERT WALKER,  
GEO. B. MCCARTER.

The resolution offered in the Report of the Board of Missions, being under discussion, the Rev. Robert Washbon offered the following amendment :

*Resolved*, That the blank in the resolution be filled with the words \$10,000.

The Rev. W. M. Ogden offered the following substitute for the resolution and amendment, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Board of Missions be directed to continue their appropriations as during the past year, not increasing them until their actual receipts justify it.

On motion of Mr. James Gibson, it was

*Resolved*, That the plan adopted by the General Convention, of providing for Missions by means of subscriptions, be adopted by this Convention for our Diocesan Missions.

The election of the Board of ~~Missions being in order~~, the following nominations were made .

## CONVOCATION OF ALBANY.

The Rev. Samuel E. Smith,

Mr. J. W. Tillinghast.

## CONVOCATION OF TROY.

The Rev. Fenwick M. Cookson,

Mr. Harry B. Dauchy.

## CONVOCATION OF THE SUSQUEHANNA.

The Rev. Theodore A. Snyder,

Mr. G. Pomeroy Keese.

## CONVOCATION OF OGDENSBURG.

The Rev. Charles S. Olmsted,

Mr. T. Streatfield Clarkson.

## DIOCESE AT LARGE.

The Rev. W. W. Battershall, D. D.,

Mr. Richard H. Cushney.

On motion of the Rev. F. Harison, S. T. D., the election of the Board of Missions was postponed till the second day.

The Rev. J. W. Stewart presented and read the following :

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the Report of the Special Committee on the organization of the Board of Missions, respectfully report that while they retain the subject under consideration until to-morrow, and are not prepared to recommend the printing of the proposed Canon, they recommend the reference of the subject of the boundaries of Convocations to a Committee consisting of the Archdeacons to report at the present session as follows :

*Resolved*, That the subject of the boundaries of Convocations be referred to the Archdeacons of the Diocese as a Special Committee, to report as early as possible.

By order of the Committee,

J. W. STEWART,

*Chairman.*

The resolution contained in the report was adopted.

The Rev. I. McElroy presented and read the following :

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THAT PORTION OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS REFERRING TO THE AMERICAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND COMMIS- SION.

Your Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address wherein he speaks of the Church Building Association and the presence of its Secretary with us, would respectfully report that as the matter is in itself of very great interest, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Rt. Rev. Chairman be, and hereby is, requested to invite the Rev. Chas. H. Malcolm, D. D., Secretary of the Western Church Building Association, to address the Convention upon the work of that Association at some time during the Wednesday's session.

Respectfully,

IRVING McELROY,

*For the Committee.*

The resolution contained in the report was adopted.

The Convention adjourned until 9.30 o'clock of Wednesday morning.

## SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JAN. 12TH, HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK.

The Holy Communion was administered, the Rev. F. M. Cookson, celebrating, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Charles S. Olmsted, and Charles A. Bragdon.

HALF-PAST NINE O'CLOCK

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. G. Fisher and the Rev. E. R. Armstrong, and the Litany by the Rev. J. B. Pitman.

The Right Rev. President took the Chair and called the Convention to order.

The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

The names of the Clergy and Lay Delegates not present yesterday were called by the Secretary, and three Clergymen and eight Lay Delegates answered and took their seats.

The reports of the Treasurer of the Diocese and of the Committee on the same were presented and read.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

DIOCESE OF ALBANY,  
ALBANY, Dec. 31, A. D. 1880. }

Herewith please find statement of the receipts and disbursements of the Diocesan Fund for the year 1880 :

Amount on hand as reported to last Convention.....	\$336 31
Receipts for the year.....	1,425 02
Total.....	\$1,761 33
Disbursements.....	1,721 92
Balance on hand....	\$39 41

It will be necessary for the Convention to provide at this meeting for the following objects :

Mileage to Clergymen in attendance upon present Convention.

For the printing of the Journal of the Convention.

For the current expenses of the Diocese.

For one-third dues to General Convention.

For the above purposes I suggest the following estimate of the sums that will be required :

For mileage.....	\$400
For printing Journal.....	500
For current expenses.....	550
For General Convention ....	125
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	\$1,575



To meet the above, I recommend that the Convention order an assessment of two and one-half per centum upon the salaries pledged the Clergymen by the Parishes and Mission Stations.

Very respectfully,

SELDEN E. MARVIN,  
*Treasurer.*

I have carefully examined the above Report and find the same correct.

ROBERT WEIR,  
*For the Committee.*

The Reports of the Trustees and of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund and of the Committee on the Bishop's Salary, and of the Committee on the same, were read:

## THE REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

*To the Convention of the Diocese of Albany:*

The undersigned, Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany, respectfully report that they hold the following investments for the fund:

Bonds and mortgages on real estate in the city of Albany (6 per cent interest) .....	\$32,500
\$1,000 Buffalo city 7 per cent water bond, cost.....	1,020
\$3,000 U. S. 6 per cent bonds, due July, '81.....	3,000
Parish bond of St. John's Church, Cohoes.....	800
Parish bond of Grace Church, Waterford ...	500
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	\$37,890

The obliteration of the "premium" on the United States bonds (now so near maturity) makes the apparent total of the fund \$110 less than last year.

Yours respectfully,

H. PUMPELLY,  
A. W. PALMER,  
J. H. VAN ANTWERP,  
JAS. FORSYTH.

ALBANY, January 10, 1881.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

*To the Convention:*

The undersigned, as Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Albany, respectfully reports receipts and disbursements of the fund for the year 1880, as follows:

1880.	Received.	
Feb. 5.	Payment Clute mortgage.....	\$3,500 00
Mch. 19	do Walsh mortgage ...	4,000 00
April 27.	Donation, Church of Messiah, Glens Falls. ....	7 17
Dec. 23.	do Grace Church, Canton.....	4 50
1881.		
Jan. 3.	do Trinity Church, Plattsburgh....	2 00
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		\$7,513 67

1880.	<i>Invested.</i>		
April 1.	In bond and mortgage of L. Sautter.....	\$6,000	00
	In bond and mortgage of J. Judge.....	1,500	00
	Balance on deposit in bank.....	13	67
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		\$7,513 67	

E. & O. E.

J. H. VAN ANTWERP,  
Treasurer.

ALBANY, Jan. 10, 1881.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE EPISCOPAL INCOME.

*Episcopal Income in account with J. H. Van Antwerp, Treasurer. Dr.*

1880.	To balance from last report.....		\$136	48
Feb. 1.	Interest, Clute mortgage to date .....		125	00
	do Kelly do do .....		90	00
	do St. John's Church, Cohoes, bond.....		28	00
April 1.	do Walsh mortgage.....		140	00
10.	do Sautter do to date from April 1 .....		11	67
	J. J. Tillinghast, Secretary, 1879.....		254	00
	do do 1880.....		224	00
21.	do do 1880.....		155	00
May 12.	do do 1880.....		137	00
July 1.	Interest \$3,000 U. S. bonds.....		90	00
	do Edwards mortgage.....		120	00
	do Gibson do .....		120	00
	do Kennah do .....		180	00
	do Clark do .....		240	00
	do City Buffalo bond.....		35	00
8.	J. J. Tillinghast, Secretary .....		155	00
Aug. 1.	do do .....		168	27
	Interest Kelly mortgage .....		90	00
Oct. 1.	do Judge do .....		45	00
10.	do Sautter do .....		210	00
	J. J. Tillinghast, Secretary.....		585	73
21.	do do .....		237	00
Nov. 17.	Interest St. John's Church, Cohoes, to August 1, 1880....		28	00
	J. J. Tillinghast, Secretary.....		200	00
1881.				
Jan. 3.	Interest \$3,000 U. S. bonds.....		90	00
	do Edwards mortgage .....		120	00
	do Gibson do .....		120	00
	do Kennah do .....		180	00
	do Clark do .....		240	00
	do City of Buffalo bond.....		35	00
	do Grace Church, Waterford } .....		35	00
	do Bond city of Buffalo, to Jan. 1, 1880 }			
	J. J. Tillinghast, Secretary.....		405	00
10.	do do .....		91	19
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		\$5,121 29		

*Credit.*

1880.			
April 6.	By paid account Bishop's salary.....	\$1,000	00
May 5.	do do do balance.....	250	00
July 7.	do do do .....	1,250	00
Oct. 8.	do do do .....	625	00
Oct. 21.	do do do .....	875	00
Nov. 20.	do do do .....	250	00

1881.		
Jan.	4. By paid account Bishop's salary .....	\$1,250 00
Jan.	10. Printing, postage, etc., J. J. T., Sec.....	65 00
	Balance .....	56 29
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		\$5,121 29
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Balance in bank.....		\$56 29
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E. & O. E.

J. H. VAN ANTWERP,  
Treasurer Episcopal Fund, Diocese of Albany.

ALBANY, January 10, 1881.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE SALARY OF  
THE BISHOP.

BISHOP'S SALARY ASSESSMENTS, 1880.\*

Assessments collected .....	\$2,858 19
Assessments unpaid.....	542 81
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Total amount assessed .....	\$2,901 00
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By cash assessments, balance 1879.....	\$254 00
By cash assessments 1880, collected... ..	2,858 19
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	\$2,612 19
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To remitted J. H. Van Antwerp, Treasurer.....	\$2,612 19
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For the Committee,

J. J. TILLINGHAST, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE BISHOP'S SAL-  
ARY AND THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

We, the undersigned, Committee to examine the accounts of the Secretary of the Committee on the Bishop's Salary, and of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund for the year 1880, do hereby certify that we have examined the same and find them to be correct.

WALTER THOMPSON,  
E. RUTHVEN ARMSTRONG,  
MILTON HEATH.

January 11, 1881.

The Secretary read the following reports :

THE REPORTS OF THE TRUSTEES AND OF THE TREAS-  
URER OF THE FUND FOR THE WIDOWS AND OR-  
PHANS OF DECEASED CLERGY FOR THE YEAR 1880.

The Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen present herewith the report of the Treasurer, showing the receipts and disbursements for the year.

\*For tabular statement of Bishop's Salary Assessment see Appendix D.

*Receipts.*

Balance on hand per last Report .....	\$476 39
Receipts for the year.....	174 97
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	\$651 36
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*Disbursements.*

Stipends .....	\$120 00
Balance on hand.....	531 86
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	\$651 86
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Very truly yours,

WILLIAM CROSWELL DOANE,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN.

The Committee appointed to examine the report of the Trustees of the Fund for the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen for the year 1880 beg leave to say that they have examined said report and find the same to be correct.

RICHARD TEMPLE,  
C. B. PINCKNEY,  
G. C. VALENTINE.

The Secretary read the following report:

**THE REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.**

The undersigned Trustees of the Fund for the Support of Aged and Infirm Clergymen respectfully report that the receipts and disbursements for the year have been as reported in detail by the Treasurer, as follows:

Balance on hand as per last report .....	\$2,024 63
Receipts from Parishes.....	852 81
Receipts from interest on bonds.....	530 00
Receipts from Board of Missions .....	800 00
Receipts payment note debt Bishop's house .....	1,250 00
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Total .....	\$4,957 44
Disbursements .....	3,120 60
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Balance on hand.....	\$1,836 84
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The Trustees hold the following securities:

Bond and mortgage, William H. Radford .....	\$5,000
Bond and mortgage, Alexander McDonald.....	5,000
U. S. Government bonds .....	2,000
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	\$12,000
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Accompanying this report is a statement of the Treasurer in detail.

WILLIAM CROSWELL DOANE,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN,  
AMASA J. PARKER, Jr.,  
J. W. FULLER,  
— A. SQUIER.

The Committee appointed to examine the accounts of receipts and disbursements in the matter of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy respectfully report that they find the same to be correct.

WM. N. IRISH,  
WM. GREY,  
HENRY C. DAY.

The Rev. W. Gwynne read the Reports of the “Society for Promoting Religion and Learning,” and of the Treasurer of the Diocese on account of Theological Education, and of the Committee on the same.

REPORT OF THE SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING RELIGION AND LEARNING IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

The Superintendent of the Society for promoting Religion and Learning in the State of New York, as the Canonical Agent of the Diocese of Albany for distributing all funds for Theological Education, would respectfully report,

That, during the last Conventional year the Diocese of Albany has contributed for the cause of Theological Education, through this Society, the sum of one hundred and twenty-two dollars and four cents, as follows :

St. Mark's, Hoosac Falls .....	\$25 00
Ilion Parish, Ilion .....	4 70
St. John the Evangelists, Stockport .....	15 00
St. Peter's, Hobart .....	5 90
Christ Church, Ballston Spa .....	14 92
St. Paul's, Troy .....	30 00
Trinity Church, Potsdam .....	5 15
Christ Church, Walton .....	6 50
St. John's, Johnstown .....	5 87
Grace Church, Canton ....	4 50
Trinity Church, Plattsburgh ...	2 00
Christ Church, Herkimer .....	2 50
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	\$122 04
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These statistics are far from reassuring and do not indicate a growing interest in the cause of Theological Education. The contributing Parishes are few in number and the amount contributed is somewhat less than it has been in past years. While the Church is extending and the number of candidates for Holy Orders is increasing, it is unfortunate that so little encouragement should be afforded to those who are preparing for the sacred office. It is not often, indeed, that the Society is obliged, owing to the state of its Treasury, to withhold all assistance from the worthy applicant, but it has become necessary to so far limit individual appropriations that in many cases they do not meet the living necessities of the student.

The Superintendent is not aware that he can add any thing to what has been said before by himself and his predecessor, but he would urge again upon the Parishes of the Diocese a more liberal support of the Society, which has during the past year contributed nearly two thousand dollars in aid of students of the

Diocese of Albany, pursuing their studies at St. Stephen's College and in the General Theological Seminary.

All which is respectfully submitted,

ANDREW OLIVER,

*Superintendent of the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning.*

NEW YORK, Jan. 7, 1881.

# REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE OF MONEYS RECEIVED AND DISBURSED FOR THEO- LOGICAL EDUCATION FOR THE YEAR 1880.

## *Receipts.*

Messiah, Glens Falls .....	\$14
St. Peter's, Albany .....	50
W. E. Thorne, Cohoes .....	25
W. C. D. ....	10
Christ, Hudson .....	22
Trinity, Rensselaerville .....	2
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	\$123
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## *Disbursements.*

April 26. Bishop Doane .....	\$14
June 3. Edmund A. Wasson .....	50
Sept. 27. Rev. R. B. Fairbairn, D. D. ....	10
Oct. 19. do do .....	22
Dec. 3. Bishop Doane .....	25
31. do .....	2
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	\$123
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The Committee appointed to examine the Reports of the Superintendent of the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, and of the Diocesan Treasurer for Theological Education in the Diocese, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts and find them to be correct.

They would, moreover, call attention to the resolution adopted by the last Convention, setting forth the Canonical duty of each Clergyman to take annually, in one of the ember seasons, a collection for Theological Education.

WALKER GWYNNE,  
GEORGE F. BREED.

The Reports of the Superintendent and Treasurer of the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, and of the Committee on the same, were read by the Rev. Hobart Cooke.

# REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE ORPHAN HOUSE OF THE HOLY SAVIOUR, FOR 1880.

There have been sixty-one children in the Diocesan Orphanage during the past year, eighteen boys and forty-three girls. Of this number sixteen have been honorably dismissed : For self support, six ; for adoption, four ; returned to relatives who can now support them, six. During about eight months the number remained steadily at fifty ; since August 1st, 1880, the num-

ber varying from forty-four to forty-nine. In many cases the improvement in the children is marked and cheering, and in spite of short-comings and partial failures with others, it may be said, we believe, with truth, that there has been no child in the family who has not been benefited, more or less, in moral and physical condition.

The health of the children has been generally good. Dr. Bassett continues to be our kind and faithful physician. With heartfelt thankfulness we record the fact that there has been no contagious disease in the family. The bracing climate of this region is considered especially healthful. There are no chills and fever to contend with. The improvement in the health of a number of the children received from the large towns has been very decided after a few months at this Orphanage.

The condition of the house is unchanged. With a family of more than fifty, we still feel daily the need of conveniences considered indispensable in most Orphanages — there is no laundry, no bath-room, no hospital-room, no furnace, and in cold weather there are nine or ten fires to attend to. More than half the clothing is necessarily kept at the house of the Superintendent, for want of room. It is scarcely possible to transform a country farm-house, originally small, into a really suitable house for a Diocesan Orphanage. Not even the good-will of a very kind landlord has been able to effect a change so decided. Some of the rooms of the present building are pleasant and cheerful, but the conveniences lying at the foundation of the work are lacking. This Orphanage is now in the tenth year of its work — a work steadily carried on amid much of toil and anxiety. Shall we be forgiven if we venture to say that we had hoped that ere this a suitable home, a building thoroughly adapted to the work, would have been provided for the Diocesan Orphanage? Cannot the wealthy friends of the orphans erect a suitable home for them? We do not ask for an expensive building, but simply for a house comfortable, convenient, and *especially adapted to the purpose*. We have already the beginning of a building-fund, \$1,000 at interest. It has been suggested that if the church-women of the Diocese were to undertake to raise the funds needed, their efforts might be successful. Shall the attempt be made?

We gratefully record the receipt of very useful packages or boxes of clothing and bedding from Christ Church, Hudson, Zion Church, Morris, Richfield Springs, Cherry Valley, St. John's, Johnstown, St. John's, Troy, Emmanuel, Little Falls, St. John's, Cohoes, Immanuel, Otsego; useful miscellaneous gifts from various places; from Stockport and Stottville a very valuable gift of uniform winter dresses *for all the girls in the house*. The Ladies' Society of Christ Church, Cooperstown, have been very kind and liberal in cutting and making, during Lent, the uniform summer calicoes with other dresses and undergarments for the orphans. In this task they were generously assisted by ladies not connected with our Church. The ladies of St. John's, Portlandville, have been very kind in making up boys' clothing, and the small Parish at Esperance, Schoharie county, has also been very efficient in making up a portion of the summer calicoes.

In last year's Report there occurred an accidental omission which we deeply regret, and for which we now publicly apologize. A valuable box of clothing received in 1879 from Trinity Church, Potsdam, did not receive the public thanks justly due to the kind friends who filled it with so many nice garments. It was very gratefully received and acknowledged by letter at the time.

There have been twenty-four girls in the house paid for by Otsego county, *some* remaining only a few days, others throughout the year. The average num-

ber has been seventeen. The improvement in these children has been very decided, and they have given no especial trouble. The children of the Diocese have come to us, as usual, from each of the four Convocations, including some from the most northern counties.

Our expenses have been larger than usual, owing not only to the increased amount of provision for a larger family, but also to necessary purchases of house furnishings for the use of the county children. Nevertheless, we are enabled, with thankful hearts, to report the financial condition of the institution as satisfactory.

#### *Receipts.*

To January 1st, 1881 :

From individuals .....	\$498 47
From thirty-six churches.....	1,104 91
For board of children (of which \$1,411 was paid by Otsego county),	1,749 68
Interest on bonds.....	70 00
<b>Total receipts.....</b>	<b>\$3,423 06</b>

#### *Disbursements.*

To January 1st, 1881, for provisions, lights, fuel, salaries and wages, dry goods, shoes, medicines, and school books.....	\$3,104 93
Rent to April 1st.....	300 00
Due Treasurer, January, 1880.....	8 11
<b>Total disbursements .....</b>	<b>\$3,408 04</b>
<b>Cash on hand, January 1st, 1881 .....</b>	<b>\$15 02</b>

The Treasurer having made out his Report to December 15, 1880, which left a deficit of \$243.56, and having since that date received \$446.15, has added a supplement, including all receipts to January 5, 1881. After deducting the deficit and also the provision bills, always paid the first week in every month, he reports cash on hand, January 5, 1881, \$63.

Respectfully submitted,

SUSAN FENNIMORE COOPER,

*Superintendent.*

January 6, 1881.

### ABSTRACT OF THE TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

#### *Receipts.*

From various sources .....	\$3,164 48
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#### *Disbursements.*

Balance due Treasurer for last report.....	\$3 11
Rent to April 1, 1880.....	300 00
Wages, provisions, fuel, etc .....	3,104 93
<b>.....</b>	<b>\$3,408 04</b>
<b>Balance due Treasurer .....</b>	<b>\$243 56</b>
<b>Received since close of above report.....</b>	<b>\$446 15</b>

COOPERSTOWN, Dec. 28, 1880



## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORTS OF TREASURER AND SUPERINTENDENT OF THE ORPHAN HOUSE OF THE HOLY SAVIOUR.

In presenting these Reports of the Superintendent and the Treasurer of the Diocesan Orphanage at Cooperstown, your Committee desire to express great thankfulness over *the condition* of the Orphanage.

We recognize, as tributary to this, the generous thoughtfulness of the many churchmen and church women in the various Parishes named in the Reports.

There is, likewise, the element of *good management*.

Resources have been carefully and wisely husbanded. Opportunities have been promptly improved to place and *keep* the Orphanage in *sound financial condition*. The administration of affairs in the House has been untiringly faithful and discreet.

Personal devotion to the work has made it what it *could not be without* the warmth and steadfastness of *heart devotion* warmed into life and sustained from the source from whence there are gifts "*not as the world giveth.*"

*The Divine Blessing* has manifestly been given to this enterprise — Christian indeed, in the inseparable Christ-likeness of its thought and purpose.

Your Committee desire to place before this Convention, as briefly as may be, *an important consideration*. The *duty* of your Committee cannot otherwise be performed.

Notwithstanding the facts that the Orphanage has been maintained in a sound financial condition — has done its work in a way which cannot fail to elicit warm admiration and every approval — has received the recognition and generous support of many Christian helpers — and has received the highest possible indorsement, the unquestionable seal of divine favor and blessing, it remains *yet* to be done that the Diocese *honor* its acceptance of this Orphanage as a Diocesan Institution, by extending from every available Parish the *sustenance*, without which *it cannot do* its *legitimate work* or maintain its *true character*.

The Orphanage is at present compelled to work at grave disadvantage to the Church in this Diocese. In order to avoid the embarrassment of debt — and indeed, *to avoid the utter failure* of the enterprise for want of means to sustain it, the Orphanage is obliged to receive children from the county poor-house, for whose support the county pays the Orphanage specified rates.

This fills the Orphan House. And so when applications for the Church's Orphan Children are received, the applications must be rejected.

So it comes that the Orphanage is doing but a *small margin of legitimate work*.

The appeal is so *just* — so *legitimate*, here, that it becomes simply a *reminder* of the duty which the Diocese has accepted, to care for this noble enterprise.

Your Committee feel confident that, could this Orphanage and its admirable plans to subserve the gracious works of Christ's Holy Church be fully known and understood in every Parish in the Diocese, from every Parish of this Diocese would come the means of help and support — generously devised, gladly given.

Correspondence with the Superintendent, Miss Susan Fennimore Cooper, of Cooperstown, would bring information of what is most needed in the way of household supplies.

Money is *always* needed in this family at the Orphanage in the same way that it is always needed for the comfort of *any* household.

The limited time to which this Report is necessarily confined forbids any *detailed statements* beyond those already given.

Your Committee leave the matter before you, with the one reminder that here, within our own Diocesan household, is the call upon every Christian home and individual to do the gracious work of *a true charity*; and, as doing unto these, the homeless little ones, doing it likewise unto Him who in his own words has forever identified himself with them. "As ye have done it unto these, ye have done it likewise unto me."

HOBART COOKE,  
A. B. OLMSTEAD.

The Rev. W. Gwynne presented and read:

## REPORT OF THE BIBLE AND COMMON PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY OF ALBANY AND ITS VICINITY.

The Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany and its vicinity respectfully presents the following report to the Convention of the Diocese for the year 1880:

Volumes distributed, 3,065, viz.: 332 Bibles, 1,553 Prayer Books, 20 Printed Psalters, 75 Mission Services, 8 Greek Testaments and 1,077 Hymnals. Of these, 13 Prayer Books and 4 Hymnals were sold.

Six of the Bibles were suitable for the Lectern, 11 of the Prayer Books for the Chancel, and 14 volumes were furnished to the Bishop for presentation to the Clergy at ordination.

The summary of the Treasurer's Report is as follows:

<i>Received.</i>	
Balance from last account .....	\$42 45
Income of Permanent Fund.....	732 00
Offerings of 28 Parishes.....	244 61
Sales of books .....	8 81
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	\$1,027 87
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<i>Paid.</i>	
For books .....	\$869 69
For sundries, postage, etc .....	8 63
Balance on hand .....	154 55
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	\$1,027 87
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The Permanent Fund consists of \$10,400, invested, together with \$1,305.82 awaiting investment. Total, \$11,705.82.

By order of the Society,  
WALKER GWYNNE.

The Rev. J. Carey, S. T. D., presented and read the following:

## REPORT OF THE ARCHIDEACONS ON THE ARRANGE- MENT OF THE BOUNDARY LINES OF CONVOCA- TIONS.

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Report of the Committee appointed last year, on the readjustment of the boundary lines of Conventions, heartily concur in the recommendations of the Committee.

The Convocations will then be five in number and constituted as follows :

Convocation of Albany, seven counties: Albany, Greene, Columbia, Schenectady, Herkimer, Montgomery and Fulton.

Convocation of Troy, four counties: Rensselaer, Saratoga, Warren and Washington.

Convocation of Ogdensburg, two counties: St. Lawrence and Franklin.

Convocation of the Champlain, three counties: Clinton, Essex and Hamilton.

Convocation of the Susquehanna, three counties: Delaware, Otsego and Schoharie.

JOSEPH CAREY, *Chairman.*

The Secretary presented and read the following communication from the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, which was referred to the Committee on the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.

## COMMUNICATION FROM THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

MEDFORD, Mass., Jan. 10, 1881.

MY DEAR SIR — In accordance with a resolution adopted by the House of Deputies at the recent session of the General Convention, I beg to transmit to you the accompanying Report of a "Special Committee on increasing the Fund for Disabled Clergy, and the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen."

In doing so, I am desirous to call your attention to the approval of the plan proposed by the Committee, contained in the following message from the House of Bishops.

NEW YORK, 19th day of the Session, }  
October 27, 1880. }

### MESSAGE No. 76.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops has received with lively satisfaction the communication from the House of Deputies, contained in its Message No. 70, informing it of the action taken looking to the increase of the Fund for Disabled Clergymen and their families. The Bishops hail with joy this prospect for the relief of our suffering brethren, and of the families of those departed, and heartily approve the action taken.

*Attest :*

HENRY C. POTTER, *Secretary.*

Commending this subject to the careful consideration of your Diocesan Council, in accordance with one of the accompanying resolutions unanimously adopted by the House of Deputies,

I am, dear sir, your obedient servant,

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,

*Secretary of the House of Deputies.*

To the Rev. W. C. PROUT,

*Secretary of the Diocese of Albany.*

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INCREASING THE FUND FOR DISABLED CLERGY AND THEIR FAMILIES.

On the fourth day of the present session of the General Convention (October 11th), a deputation from the House of Bishops, consisting of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Lee, Bishop of Delaware, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Whipple, Bishop of Minnesota, the Rt.

Rev. Dr. Lay, Bishop of Easton, and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Dudley, Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, presented to the House of Deputies, in cogent and convincing appeal and argument, the cause of disabled Clergy and the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen.

This almost unprecedented action of the House of Bishops in urging upon the House of Deputies the earnest consideration of a measure was avowedly designed to impress upon the latter the eminent estimate which our Rt. Rev. Fathers entertained of the importance of the cause they thus presented for consideration.

With the earnest words of the Bishops still fresh in our memory, and their glowing sentiments still warm in our hearts, it is scarcely necessary that your Committee should enlarge upon the merits of the matter referred to their consideration.

That the Church should first of all extend a helping hand to those who have ministered at her altars until age and infirmity have weakened their powers, is a self-evident proposition.

The sentences selected to be read, while "the alms for the poor and other devotions of the people" are being received, in the Office of the Holy Communion, do most unequivocally set forth the great idea that the support of the Clergy is properly derivable from the offerings of the people — that "they who preach the gospel should live of the gospel." The soldier who fights his country's battles is amply supported by the government which he serves; and when he is wounded or disabled, or incapacitated by old age, the State still supports him and his family, and when he dies there is a pension to his widow. This usage obtains in many other relations of secular life; but we are left to mourn the fact, and a humiliating fact it is, that they, who give their lives for the welfare of their fellow-men and the honoring of the Lord Jesus Christ, are in many instances left to terminate their ministry of toil and self-denial in circumstances of suffering poverty. Shall not the Church care for her children as the State does for hers?

The Church presents us the manifest duty, nay, in the revelation of God, even from the beginning, it is clearly enforced that "they who minister about holy things (should) live of the sacrifice." Now, our Rt. Rev. Fathers have come before us, and urged to immediate action in this pre-eminent charity, this paramount duty of humanity. Your Committee recognize the grateful fact that a step has been taken in the direction to which we are bidden, by depositing with the Trustees of the Fund for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm and Disabled Clergymen, a royalty upon the publication and sale of our Hymnal. The money thus received and disbursed by the Trustees of this Fund has been the means of relieving much suffering, but the amount is quite inadequate to meet the great and painful wants.

Your Committee further recognize the several Diocesan efforts in this direction, which have been organized and administered with varying measures of success; but while these serve in part to relieve the need of the disabled Clergy in the older and richer Dioceses, where they are chiefly to be found, still they do not contemplate the extension of aid to the feebler Dioceses, where no such organizations exist, nor to the vast missionary jurisdictions, where now, and for many years to come, the want will be found to be greatest and the means of help the feeblest.

The immediate question is, what can be done to increase the Fund designed for *general* distribution.

Your Committee have had a number of projects referred to them, all of which have received their respectful consideration. ~~The Committee is unable to almost every plan, save that which is~~

theory, as translated to us in the Offertory Sentences. The rubric in the Communion Office is in harmony with this, when it provides for the collection, not only of "alms for the poor," but for "the *other devotions*" (or consecrated gifts) "of the people." Now, for what are these "*other devotions*," of the people designed, if not for that very purpose set forth in the Offertory Sentences which ask for them? It can scarcely be too much emphasized in this connection, that the Offertory appeals *only* for the *relief of the poor* and the *sustentation of the Clergy*.

And then the Canon [Title I, Canon 14, ¶ 8 of the Digest], speaking of "the Alms and Contributions of the Holy Communion" as proper to be applied by the minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit; after dividing a certain part for the relief of the poor, which may rightly be called the "*Alms*," what "pious and charitable use" can possibly be made of the other part, called "*Contributions*," of as great and pressing import, of as high and holy character, of as appropriate and divinely ordered description, as giving relief to our suffering brothers, who have spent their lives in fatherly offices in the "*household of faith*"?

Your Committee feel the difficulty of fixing, at once, upon any method which shall be general and final, but prefer to submit such measures as shall be rather tentative, while proposing further investigation in the way of correspondence and the compilation of statistics.

Your Committee therefore beg to submit the following resolutions for the approval of this House :

1. *Resolved*, That the Committee appointed to consider the subjects of the increase of the Fund for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm and Disabled Clergymen, be continued, with an increased membership, with instructions to act in the premises during the time intervening before the next General Convention, to the end that they may the better accomplish the objects for which the Committee was raised.

2. *Resolved*, That this House do earnestly request the several Diocesan Conventions or Councils that they duly consider, and if they find it expedient, approve, commend, and indorse the eminent charity embraced in the purpose and effort of this Committee.

3. *Resolved*, That every minister in charge of a Congregation be requested to reserve, from this time forth, out of "the alms and other devotions" of the people, collected upon each and every occasion of the administration of the Lord's Supper, a percentage of the whole amount, not less than one nor more than ten per cent, at the discretion of the minister, the same to be forwarded and paid over to the Trustees of the Fund for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm and Disabled Clergymen.

4. *Resolved*, That this Committee be instructed to correspond with the authorities of each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction, for the purpose of collecting facts and statistics bearing upon the subject committed to them, such as the local provision now made in certain Dioceses for the relief of disabled Clergy and their families, the wants that now exist and that are unsupplied, the irregular and unorganized assistance that is now being extended, and all other information that shall contribute to a full exhibit of the present condition of this charity and its probable future; and that this Committee prepare and present to the next General Convention a digest of all the information thus gathered, with reference to further and more formal action.

5. *Resolved*, That this Committee be further instructed to inquire into the practicability of founding a *Sustentation Fund*, for supplementing the salaries of Clergymen who have not suitable support.

6. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the House of Deputies be instructed to publish this report in the Church Press, to send copies to the Bishops of the Church and to the Secretaries of the Conventions or Councils of the Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions, with the request that the report be submitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Conventions or Councils.

7. *Resolved*, That this Report be respectfully communicated to the House of Bishops, as the response of this body to their request that some action be taken

upon the subject of the relief of disabled Clergy and their families, and that, in submitting this Report, it is hoped that it will meet the approval of our Rt. Rev. Fathers.

All which is duly submitted.

(Signed),

NOAH HUNT SCHENCK,  
ALFRED B. BEACH,  
J. PETERKIN,  
O. MEADS,  
CORTLANDT PARKER.

The Rev. H. M. Smyth presented and read

## THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NON-REPORT- ING CLERGY AND PARISHES.

The Committee on Non-Reporting Clergy and Parishes respectfully reports that the following Clergy and Parishes are recorded in the Journal of the last Convention as having failed to report :

### NON-REPORTING CLERGY.

The Rev. J. B. Colhoun,  
Newton Dexter,  
H. T. Leslie,  
E. N. Potter, D. D.,

The Rev. J. B. Tibbitts, -  
J. I. Tucker, S. T. D.,  
E. Webster,  
M. E. Wilson.

### NON-REPORTING PARISHES.

Christ Church, Deposit,  
Christ Church, Coxsackie,

St. Mark's Church, Garrattsville,  
St. Luke's Church, Richfield.

HENRY M. SMYTH,  
*Chairman.*

The resolution offered by the Rev. I. McElroy on the first day, and laid on the table till to-day. was taken from the table as follows :

*Resolved*, That that portion of the Bishop's address with reference to the vacancies of Parishes and changes of the Clergy be referred to a Committee of three, who shall, after due deliberation, present to the next Convention a form of instruction to the Delegates to the next General Convention, as representing the sentiments of this Diocese on this subject.

Pending its discussion the hour for holding the annual elections having arrived, on motion the elections were postponed until two o'clock.

A vote being taken, the resolution was lost.

On motion of Rev. J. D. Morrison, D. D., LL. D., it was

*Resolved*, The Convention of the Diocese of Albany, recognizing the fact that the Church is not a human institution, but the Kingdom of God in the world, and its officers "ministers of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God," desires to place on record its emphatic condemnation of the practice of Parishes calling a Clergyman to preach on trial and of Clergymen accepting such invitation.

The Rev. J. W. Stewart presented the following

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred a proposed Canon amending Canon XIV, reported by a Special Committee on the organization of the Board of Missions, respectfully report.

The Canon referred to us having been reported from a Special Committee appointed last year, by a Chairman who has had some years' experience as a member of the Board of Missions, may be taken as the expression of a feeling in the Diocese that the organization of our Missionary work may wisely be amended in some respects. While we do not find ourselves able to recommend the adoption of the somewhat sweeping changes proposed, we have kept in view the main objects intended to be accomplished, and have sought to provide for them in the amendments to Canon XIV, hereto appended, and of which we recommend the adoption.

1. *As to the Membership of the Board of Missions.*—It is desired, as we understand, to have a Board that can be more readily assembled than the present one and to secure a more efficient working body. We propose to accomplish this by the election of all the members upon a general ticket, instead of by nominations from the Convocations, which will continue to be represented by their Archdeacons.

2. *As to the work of Convocations.*—It seems to be generally conceded that, if these organizations are to be retained, they must be given more definite and practical functions. In view of the fact that some of these Convocations are very largely composed of Missionaries, and representatives of Mission stations, we are unable to concur with the Committee in proposing to give them the control of appropriations; but we approve of the Committee's plan of making known to each Convocation the amount expected from it for the work of Missions, so that it may direct its energies to the work of raising at least that amount; and we also propose that each Convocation meeting shall be provided with a full statement of the condition of the Missionary Treasury, and of the offerings from within its borders. We trust that the effect of this may be to exert an influence upon those Parishes that are inclined to neglect the work; and to bring home to the Clergy and Laity a sense of the needs of our Missions, and of their responsibility for supporting them. We also approve of encouraging the Convocations to undertake special local work that shall not interfere with the obligations already undertaken by the Board.

3. *As to the boundaries of Convocations.*—This matter is to be reported upon by a Committee consisting of the Archdeacons of the Diocese. We only desire to observe that our Diocese is of such a peculiar character that it is probably impossible to divide it into districts that shall be in all respects convenient. We think, however, that whatever system be adopted, it should be regarded as permanent, so that feelings of local sympathy and interest may be encouraged; and that it is important to unite the weaker portions of the Diocese with the stronger.

The Canon of which we recommend the adoption is hereto appended.

By order of the Committee,

J. W. STEWART,  
*Chairman.*



**A CANON TO AMEND CANON XIV.**

**OF THE MISSIONS OF THE DIOCESE.**

Canon XIV, Section 2, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Section 2. The said Board of Missions shall consist of the Bishop, who shall be *ex officio* the President thereof ; and of ten other members, five Clergymen and five Laymen, all of whom shall be annually chosen by the Convention, and by ballot unless the same be unanimously dispensed with. All vacancies, occurring in the Board during the recess of the Convention, may be filled by the Board.

Canon XIV, Section 6, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Section 6. Each of these Convocations shall consist of the Clergy resident within the limits thereof, and canonically resident in the Diocese, and of Laymen, not exceeding three in number from each Parish or Missionary Station, chosen by the Vestry or Congregation. Unless other Lay Delegates shall have been specially chosen, the Lay Delegation to the previous Diocesan Convention shall be the Delegation to the Convocation. Each Clergyman and each Lay Delegation shall have one vote. The Bishop shall be a member and *ex officio* the head of each Convocation. But the Bishop shall from time to time appoint an Archdeacon on the nomination of each Convocation, from among the Clergy thereof; who shall be the executive officer of the Convocation, and preside therein in the absence of the Bishop, and may also be present, without a vote, at the meetings of the Board of Missions. Each Convocation shall annually elect a Secretary and a Treasurer. Any number of members present at a meeting duly called shall be competent to transact business.

Canon XIV, Section 7, is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Section 7. The Convocations shall meet according to their own rules, and shall act, to the extent of their ability, as auxiliaries to the Board of Missions. The Board of Missions shall inform each Convocation, as early as possible after each Convention, what amount is expected to be raised therein for the work of Diocesan Missions and the amount to be expended therein ; and the Treasurer of the Board of Missions shall send to every meeting of each Convocation a detailed report of receipts from such Convocation and expenditures for work within its limits, and also a statement of the condition of the treasury. It shall be the special work of the Convocations to secure, if possible, the amount of offerings asked for by the Board of Missions ; and it shall also be their duty to make such reports and recommendations as may be requested of them by the Bishop or the Board. The Convocations may also collect and expend funds for local objects ; being careful that such collections do not interfere with the raising of the amount asked for by the Board of Missions. The Archdeacons shall be charged with the duty of visiting the Mission Stations and vacant Parishes, and, with the consent of the Clergy, the other Parishes receiving Missionary aid within the limits of their respective Convocations, to ascertain their condition, and to give such advice as may be required, reporting the result of their inquiries and observations to the Bishop. It shall also be their duty to stir up an increased Missionary interest and zeal, and to urge more liberal offerings for the work of Church extension.

The following amendment was offered by Mr. G. Pomeroy Keese :

*Resolved*, That section two be amended so as to read, " to consist of five Clergymen and five Laymen, the Clergymen ~~to be chosen~~ one from each Convocation in



the Diocese, on nomination by the Convocation ; all of whom shall be chosen etc."

Pending its discussion the Convention took a recess until two o'clock in the afternoon.

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TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON.

The Convention reassembled.

The Rt. Rev. President took the chair and called the Convention to order.

On motion it was

*Ordered*, That the annual elections be postponed until the report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons shall have been disposed of.

The Rev. W. M. Ogden offered the following amendment to the amendment offered by Mr. Keese :

*Resolved*, That the five clerical members shall be the Arch-deacons of the several Convocations elected by the Convention upon the nomination of three several persons by the Bishop for each Convocation.

Both proposed amendments were lost.

The proposed amended section two of Canon XIV was adopted as follows :

CAN. XIV. Sec. 2. The said Board of Missions shall consist of the Bishop, who shall be *ex officio* the President thereof ; and of ten other members, five Clergymen and five Laymen, all of whom shall be annually chosen by the Convention, and by ballot unless the same be unanimously dispensed with. All vacancies occurring in the Board during the recess of the Convention may be filled by the Board.

The Bishop announced his concurrence and declared the change in the Canon ratified by the Convention of the Diocese.

The remainder of the Canon, together with the report of the Committee on the Boundaries of Convocations, was referred to a special committee to report to the next Convention.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed as such Committee the Rev. F. M. Cookson, the Rev. F. Harison, S. T. D., the Rev. J. D. Morrison, D. D., LL. D., Mr. T. S. Clarkson and Mr. J. D. Henderson.

The hour for the Annual Elections having arrived the Rt. Rev. President appointed the Tellers.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

*Clerical Vote.*

Rev. W. M. Cook,  
Mr. T. H. Dickson.

*Lay Vote.*

Rev. C. T. Whittemore,  
Mr. H. J. Estcourt.

The roll of the Clergy was called by the Secretary, and the roll of Lay Delegates by the Assistant Secretary.

Ballots were received for members of the Standing Committee.

The Rt. Rev. President announced that the polls were closed, and directed the Tellers to count the votes, for which purpose they had leave to retire.

The election of the Board of Missions being in order, the following nominations were made, the Revs. F. M. Cookson, J. B. Pitman, W. W. Battershall, D. D., W. R. Woodbridge, W. Delafield, H. M. Smyth, S. E. Smith and J. Caird; Messrs. W. A. Thompson, T. S. Clarkson, H. B. Dauchy, R. H. Cushney, J. W. Tillinghast, J. H. Van Antwerp, H. R. Pierson, N. B. Squires, G. B. McCartee.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Harison it was

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed to select the Board of Missions from the list of those nominated.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed as such Committee the Rev. W. N. Irish, the Rev. W. W. Lord, D. D., and Mr. James Gibson.

Mr. J. Forsyth, for the Committee on the Episcopal Fund of New York, offered the following resolutions which were adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Committee be continued until the further order of the Convention, and that the President appoint two additional members to the Committee.

*Resolved*, That the Committee be authorized to apply to the Legislature for the passage of an act amendatory of the act of 1845, creating a corporation called "The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New York," to enable the said Trustees to pay upon the order of the Convention of New York, out of any funds in their hands as such Trustees, any and all sums of money due or to become due to the Diocese of Albany.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed as additional members of the said Committee, Mr. James M. Dudley and Mr. Erastus Corning.

The Rev. W. N. Irish presented the

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Committee recommend the election of the following named Clergymen and Laymen as members of the Board of Missions:

The Rev. F. M. Cookson,	Mr. W. A. Thompson,
The Rev. W. W. Battershall, D. D.,	Mr. T. S. Clarkson,
The Rev. J. B. Pitman,	Mr. H. B. Dauchy,
The Rev. W. R. Woodbridge,	Mr. J. H. Van Antwerp,
The Rev. W. Delafield,	Mr. G. B. McCartee.

Respectfully submitted,

W. N. IRISH, *Chairman.*

A motion to dispense with the ballot was offered and failed to pass.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed as

**TELLERS.**

*Clerical Vote.*

The Rev. J. B. Hubbs,  
Mr. M. Andrae,

*Lay Vote.*

The Rev. F. H. T. Horsfield,  
Mr. W. L. Dubois.

The roll of the Clergy was called by the Secretary, and the roll of Lay Delegates by the Assistant Secretary.

Ballots were received for members of the Board of Missions.

The Rt. Rev. President announced that the polls were closed, and directed the Tellers to count the votes, for which purpose they had leave to retire.

The Tellers of ballots for the Standing Committee presented their reports.

**REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE CLERICAL VOTE  
FOR STANDING COMMITTEE.**

Whole number of votes cast, 54; necessary to a choice, 28. The Rev. Dr. Payne received 54; the Rev. Dr. Reese, 53; the Rev. Dr. Tucker, 54; the Rev. Dr. Bostwick, 52. Mr. O. Meads received 54; Mr. R. Earl, 53; Mr. H. R. Pierson, 53; Mr. J. W. Fuller, 54; scattering, 1.

W. M. COOK,  
THOMAS H. DICKSON,  
*Tellers.*

**REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE LAY VOTE FOR  
STANDING COMMITTEE.**

Whole number of votes cast, 23; necessary to a choice, 12. The Rev. Drs. Payne, Reese, Tucker and Bostwick each received 23, and Messrs. Orlando Meads, Robert Earl, H. R. Pierson and J. W. Fuller each received 23.

C. T. WHITTEMORE,  
H. J. ESTCOURT,  
*Tellers.*

The Rt. Rev. President declared elected as

**THE STANDING COMMITTEE.**

The Rev. WILLIAM PAYNE, D. D.,	Mr. ORLANDO MEADS,
The Rev. J. LIVINGSTON REESE, D. D.,	Mr. ROBERT EARL,
The Rev. J. IRELAND TUCKER, S. T. D.,	Mr. HENRY R. PIERSON,
The Rev. SAMUEL B. BOSTWICK, S. T. D.,	Mr. JOSEPH W. FULLER.

The Rev. E. R. Armstrong presented and read

**THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GENERAL  
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.**

The Rev. Byron J. Hall having left the Diocese, the Committee respectfully *recommend* that the Rev. J. Vaughan Lewis, D. D., be appointed to fill his place.

Your Committee also respectfully report that upon examination they find that there are eight students from this Diocese now pursuing their studies at the General Theological Seminary.

E. RUTHVEN ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Secretary, it was

*Resolved*, That the Rev. J. V. Lewis, D. D., be, and is hereby elected to be nominated as a Trustee of the General Theological Seminary for this Diocese.

The Secretary read the

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE DIOCESAN FUND AND MILEAGE OF THE CLERGY.

The Committee on the Diocesan Fund and Mileage of the Clergy have to report,

The receipts of the past year have been.....	\$1,425 02
Amount on hand as reported to last Convention .....	386 31
Total .....	<u>\$1,761 33</u>
Disbursements .....	<u>1,721 92</u>
Balance on hand.....	<u><u>\$39 41</u></u>

We recommend the appropriations for the following purposes :

Mileage for the Clergy ...	\$400 00
Printing Journal.....	500 00
Current expenses including Bishop's traveling expenses .....	550 00
For General Convention.....	125 00
	<u><u>\$1,575 00</u></u>

To meet the above we offer the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That the Convention order an assessment of two and one-half per centum upon the salaries pledged the Clergymen by the Parishes and Mission Stations.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be directed to pay to the Clergymen in attendance upon this Convention, who have come from a distance more than thirty miles from Albany, the sum of seven cents a mile, and if the expense for travel do not amount to this, that the actual traveling expenses be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

T. G. CLEMON,  
W. GWYNNE,  
LOUIS HASBROUCK,  
JAMES M. DUDLEY,  
H. J. ESTCOURT,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN.

The resolutions contained in the report were adopted.

On motion of Rev. F. Harison, S. T. D., it was

*Resolved*, That the whole subject of Diocesan finances and assessments be referred to a committee of five Laymen to report to the next Convention, with instructions to consider whether all assessments may not wisely be consolidated into one.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed as each Committee, Messrs. J.

J. Tillinghast, G. B. Warren, James Gibson, Erastus Corning and Norman B. Squires.

The Secretary read the

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE DIOCESAN FUND,

Upon the communication from General Convention in reference to the payment of the expenses of the Bishops and of the Clerical and Lay Deputies.

The Committee find there are in the Diocese 18,226 communicants, and the *pro rata* tax of 14 cents on each communicant would amount to \$1,850 in three years. This represents the actual sum this Diocese will be required to provide in three years for this object if adopted by this Convention, over and above the sum at present required by Canons of the General Convention.

The Committee are in favor of the payment of the expenses of the Bishop and Clerical members of the General Convention, but differ in regard to the matter of providing for the payment. A part favor the plan of each Diocese paying the expenses of its own Bishop and Clerical Deputies. A part favor making the expenses of all the Bishops and Clerical Deputies a charge upon the whole Church. •

The Committee are unanimous in the opinion that the Lay Deputies should pay their own expenses.

The Committee, not being prepared to offer any resolution, respectfully refer the whole matter to the Convention for its consideration.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

T. G. CLEMONS,  
W. GWYNNE,  
SELDEN E. MARVIN,  
JAMES M. DUDLEY,  
LOUIS HASBROUCK,  
H. J. ESTCOURT.

Dated ALBANY, *January 12*, 1881.

The following resolutions were offered by Rev. W. Gwynne:

*Resolved*, That this Convention having before it the action of the late General Convention in regard to an equal assessment for the payment of the traveling expenses of the Bishops and Clerical and Lay Deputies, approve of so much of the principle of the resolution as hereinafter follows, namely, that the traveling expenses of the Bishop and two Clerical Deputies from each Diocese should be provided out of a fund created by a general assessment.

*Resolved*, That this Convention is willing to submit to an assessment of five cents on each communicant triennially, in order to create such a fund.

On motion of Rev. I. McElroy they were referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Rev. W. N. Irish presented the following

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

The Committee on the Report of the Treasurer of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, to whom was referred the Report of the Committee on increasing the fund or disabled Clergy and their families, passed at the last General Convention, do

ereby respectfully report that they have carefully considered the same, and while they would recommend nothing which would conflict in the least with the offering which is annually taken for the Fund of Aged and Infirm Clergy of this Diocese, at the same time we cordially recommend the adoption of the resolutions of the General Convention accompanying this report.

*Resolved*, That this Convention adopt the third resolution of the Committee, which reads as follows :

“ *Resolved*, That every Minister in charge of a Congregation be requested to reserve, from this time forth, out of ‘the alms and other devotions’ of the people, collected upon each and every occasion of the administration of the Lord’s Supper, a percentage of the whole amount, not less than one nor more than ten per cent, at the discretion of the Minister, the same to be forwarded and paid over to the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm and Disabled Clergymen;” and that the Secretary be requested to send a copy of this resolution to each Clergyman in the Diocese.

WM. N. IRISH,  
WM. GREY,  
HENRY C. DAY.

The resolution contained in the report was adopted.

The Rev. S. B. Bostwick offered the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted :

WHEREAS, the salaries of many of the Clergy of this Diocese are only equal to their necessary current expenses, making it impossible for them to lay by in store any thing for their support in times of sickness or old age; and

WHEREAS, it seems but right and just that the Church should provide for those who have labored in her service till they can labor no longer, and not leave them upon the charity of friends, or the care of the county, therefore

*Resolved*, That the Clergy be earnestly requested to present this subject to their congregations, and that the Laity be respectfully asked for liberal contributions to increase the fund for the Relief of the Aged and Infirm Clergymen of this Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. W. N. Irish it was

*Resolved*, That the admirable remarks of the Rev. Dr. Bostwick be printed in connection with the preamble and resolutions offered by him and passed by this Convention, and that the Secretary be instructed to send a copy of such remarks to every Clergyman of the Diocese shortly before Thanksgiving Day. (See Appendix E.)

The Rev C. T. Whittemore read the Report of the Registrar of the Diocese and of the Committee on the same.

### REGISTRAR’S REPORT, 1881.

The Registrar of the Diocese would respectfully report :

1st. That he has received and placed on file in the archives of the Diocese the journals of the Conventions of the Dioceses of the U. S. A. for the year 1880, excepting those of the following Dioceses, viz : Fond du Lac, Missouri, New Hampshire, Ohio, Tennessee, Wisconsin and Western Texas.

He has also received and placed on file a copy of the Fourth Triennial Charge of the Bishop of Kansas, on “The Lord’s Supper :” and the Journal of the Diocese of California, 1879.

2d. That he has complied with the directions of the last Convention of this

Diocese, and disposed of the superfluous pamphlets then in his possession, and received therefor \$8.73, which he has paid into the treasury of the Diocese.

GEORGE FISHER,

*Registrar of the Diocese of Albany.*

The Committee on the Registrar's Report have examined the same and are satisfied that it is correct.

C. T. WHITTEMORE,

N. B. SQUIRES.

The Tellers of the vote for members of the Board of Missions presented their reports.

### REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE CLERICAL VOTE.

Whole number of votes cast, 53, necessary to a choice, 27. The Rev. Mr. Cookson received 52; the Rev. Mr. Delafield, 43; the Rev. Dr Battershall, 53; the Rev. Mr. Pitman, 47; the Rev. Mr. Woodbridge, 43; the Rev. Mr. Caird, 14; the Rev. Mr. Smyth, 9. Mr. W. A. Thompson received 39, Mr. H. B. Dauchy, 51; Mr. G. B. McCartee, 44; Mr. T. S. Clarkson, 46; Mr. J. H. Van Antwerp, 46; Mr. H. R. Pierson, 34; Mr. J. W. Tillinghast, 9; scattering, 15.

JOHN B. HUBBS,

M. ANDRAE,

*Tellers.*

### REPORT OF THE TELLERS OF THE LAY VOTE.

Whole number of votes cast, 28, necessary to a choice, 12. The Rev. Dr. Battershall received 22; the Rev. Mr. Cookson, 22; the Rev. Mr. Pitman, 21; the Rev. Mr. Woodbridge, 21; the Rev. W. Delafield, 18; the Rev. Mr. Caird, 12. Mr. J. H. Van Antwerp received 21; Mr. H. B. Dauchy, 28; Mr. W. A. Thompson, 19; Mr. G. B. McCartee, 18; Mr. T. S. Clarkson, 18; Mr. H. R. Pierson, 11; scattering, 9.

F. H. T. HORSFIELD,

W. L. DUBOIS,

*Tellers.*

The Rt. Rev. President announced elected as

### THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Rev. W. W. BATTERSHALL, D. D.,

The Rev. F. M. COOKSON,

The Rev. J. B. PITMAN,

The Rev. W. R. WOODBRIDGE,

The Rev. W. DELAFIELD,

Mr. J. H. VAN ANTWERP,

Mr. H. B. DAUCHY,

Mr. W. A. THOMPSON,

Mr. G. B. MCCARTEE,

Mr. T. S. CLARKSON.

The resolution offered by the Rev. W. W. Battershall, D. D., on the first day and laid on the table for to-day, was taken from the table, and, after being amended, was adopted as follows:

*Resolved*, That the Committee to provide for the taxes, insurance and repairs on the Bishop's house are hereby empowered to apportion to each Parish in union with this Convention the taxes and expenses which have been incurred for the above objects, and also the expenses of the current year; provided that they take into consideration the amount already paid by certain of the Parishes.

The appointment of Trustees being in order, on motion of the Secretary they were appointed by the Convention, as follows:

OF THE FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN.

Messrs. Joseph W. Fuller, Amasa J. Parker, Jr., Norman B. Squires.

OF THE FUND FOR WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

Messrs. John I. Thompson, J. W. Tillinghast, C. W. Tillinghast.

The Bishop appointed as Examining Chaplains: The Rev. J. Ireland Tucker, S. T. D., the Rev. J. D. Morrison, D. D., LL.D., the Rev. G. W. Dean, S. T. D., the Rev. William N. Irish, the Rev. George L. Neide, the Rev. W. H. Cook, the Rev. William R. Woodbridge, the Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D., and the Rev. F. Harison, S. T. D.

The Rev. J. W. Stewart presented and read the following

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION  
AND CANONS.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment to Canon I, so as to prevent any persons but communicants from being members of vestries, respectfully report that the subject is one that is regulated by the act of the legislature for the incorporation of Churches, and that the object proposed cannot be accomplished by Canon. We therefore report adversely upon the proposed measure.

By order of the Committee.

J. W. STEWART, *Chairman.*

The Rev. C. C. Edmunds offered the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, It is desirable that any corporation should be administered by such members thereof as best represent its objects; and

WHEREAS, The Wardens and Vestrymen of a Parish largely affect the spiritual interests of said Parish; and,

WHEREAS, This Convention is convinced that the communicant members of a Parish best represent and conserve the spiritual interest of the Church;

*Therefore, resolved,* That none but those who communicate at least according to the English minimum rule of three times a year, should be elected to the offices of Wardens and Vestrymen in the Parishes of this Diocese.

*Resolved,* Further, that this Convention pledging itself to judicious efforts to attain this end, a committee of three be appointed to memorialize and correspond with the Conventions of the other Dioceses in the State of New York upon this question, in order that such action may be taken as will remove all legal difficulties, if there be such.

Owing to the lateness of the hour they were laid on the table.

On motion of Rev. J. H. Houghton, it was

*Resolved,* That the Convention request the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese to act in the matter of clerical gatherings for spiritual encouragement (as mentioned in his Convention address of this year), in the way and at the time that seems wisest to him.



The Rev. R. G. Hamilton gave notice of the following proposed amendment to Canon XVI, which was referred to the special Committee on Finance.

*Resolved*, That Canon XVI be amended by the addition of section 3.

SEC. 3. Whereas the Bishop's house in Albany is the property of the Diocese of Albany, it is hereby provided that the taxes, insurance and ordinary repairs of said property be defrayed out of the Diocesan Fund.

The Rev. J. Carey, D. D., presented and read the

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THAT PART OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS RELATING TO CONVEN- TIONS ONCE IN EIGHTEEN MONTHS.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration that part of the Bishop's Address of last year, which relates to the holding of Conventions once in eighteen months, beg leave to report that they have looked into the matter carefully, and are of the judgment that there are legal difficulties in the way, such as certain elections by the Convention, which are required by acts of incorporation to be held annually.

JOSEPH CAREY,  
THOMAS R. WADE,  
A. B. COX.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Battershall, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Convention are hereby given to the donors of the generous lunch provided yesterday and to-day for the members and guests of the Convention.

On motion, the Convention took a recess until half-past seven o'clock in the evening.

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#### FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON.

The Evening Prayer was said, the Reverends W. M. Ogden, J. M. Windsor and G. L. Neide officiating.

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#### HALF-PAST SEVEN O'CLOCK.

The Convention reassembled.

The Rt. Rev. President took the Chair and called the Convention to order.

On motion of the Rev. W. B. Walker, it was

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to print one thousand copies of the Bishop's Address, apart from the Journal, and to send them to the Clergy of the Diocese as early as possible.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to print twelve hundred and fifty copies of the Journal of the Convention, and distribute them to the various par-

On motion of the Rev. W. B. Walker, it was

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the Chapter of the Cathedral for the very ample arrangements made by them for the convenience of the Convention at its present session; and to the Churchmen of Albany for the very generous hospitality the members of the Convention have enjoyed.

The Rev. C. H. Malcom, D. D., Secretary of the American Church Building Fund Commission, was introduced to the Convention and made a statement of the plans and work of the Commission.

On motion of Mr. J. D. Henderson, it was

*Resolved*, That a Committee of five be appointed by the Chair as an auxiliary Committee to aid the members of the "American Church Building Commission," in the work of their association.

The Rt. Rev. President appointed as such Committee, the Rev. W. W. Battershall, D. D., the Rev. Walter Thompson, Mr. J. M. Warren, Mr. T. S. Clarkson and Mr. Walter A. Wood.

The Bishop read the portion of his Annual Address containing the journal of his year's work.

On motion of Mr. Orlando Meads, it was

*Resolved*, That after the reading of the minutes and the customary devotions, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The minutes of the day's session were read and adopted.

The Bishop briefly addressed the Convention.

The 202nd Hymn was sung; Prayers were said by the Rev. W. W. Lord, D. D., and the Bishop pronounced the Benediction.

The Convention adjourned *sine die*.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE,  
*Bishop of Albany and President of the Convention.*

W. C. PROUT, *Secretary.*

THOMAS B. FULCHER, *Assistant Secretary.*



# APPENDIX.

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(A.)

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

### Albany County.

#### CATHEDRAL OF ALL SAINTS, ALBANY.

The Rev. George W. Dean, S. T. D., Chancellor.

The Rev. Thomas B. Fulcher, Minor Canon.

The Rev. E. T. Chapman, Treasurer.

A. Bleecker Banks, George Evans.

Orlando Meads, LL. D., V. Chancellor.

Erastus Corning, Thomas Hun, M. D.

Gen. S. E. Marvin, Assistant Treasurer.

C. N. Greig, Succentor.

Lay Readers. S. S. Fine, James M. Hawley, E. E. Clapp.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 140; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 80), 33; Confirmed, 58; Burials, 12; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 288, admitted, 44, received 2, died 3, removed, 12, present number recorded, 319; Public Services (Sundays, 156, Holy Days 25, other days, 702), 883; Holy Communion (public, 158, private, 6); Sunday School, teachers and officers, 12, pupils, 82; Catechizing, number of times, 34; St. Agnes' School, teachers, 25, pupils, 230.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$255; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$7,862.10; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$3,204; Other Parochial Objects, \$373.94. Total, \$11,695.04.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$1,290.14; Salary of the Bishop, \$150; Diocesan Fund, \$75; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$10; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$190; the Child's Hospital, \$331.27; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$88.24. Total, \$2,144.65.

General.— Domestic Missions, \$41.86; Other objects exterior to the Diocese, \$35.50. Total, \$77.36.

Total amount of Offerings, ~~\$12,915.05~~

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$35,000. Condition of Property, fair.  
 Amount of Salary pledged Chancellor, \$340; Minor Canon, \$1,000; Precentor, \$1,200.  
 Number of Sitzings in the Chapel, 800, all free.

## ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ALBANY.

Rector. The Rev. Walton W. Battershall, D. D.  
 Wardens. Harmon Pampelly, George Dexter.  
 Vestrymen John S. Perry, Henry R. Pierson, George S. Weaver, Joseph W. Tillinghast, Luther H. Tucker, Henry T. Martin, Theodore Townsend, E. L. Judson.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 15, Infants, 18), 33; Confirmed, 26; Marriages, 7; Burials, 24; Communicants, last reported, 440, admitted, 26, received, 12, died, 16, removed, 5, present number recorded, 457; Public Services (Sundays, 106, Holy Days, 34 other days, 208), Holy Communion (public, 46, private, 8), Sunday School, teachers, 42, pupils, 290; Catechizing, number of times, monthly; Parish School, teachers, 5, pupils, 23; Industrial School, teachers, 10, pupils, 200.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$800.37; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$11,229.04; Sunday School Offerings, general, \$102.71; St. Peter's Orphanage, \$1,375.92, rebuilding of organ, \$4,100.00; St. Peter's Industrial Society, \$235.00; Christmas decorations and tree, \$352.50; bequest of Mrs. Stephenson for poor, \$65.00 Total, \$18,060.54.

Diocesan — Diocesan Missions, \$734.84; Salary of the Bishop, \$150; Diocesan Fund, \$100; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$44.92; Education of Clergy, \$50; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$46.62; other Offerings for objects within the Diocese, Church at Lebanon Springs, \$25; debt, Board of Missions, \$150. Total, \$1,801.86.

General — Domestic Missions, \$270.64; Foreign Missions, \$111.82; Indian Missions, \$200.42; Missions to Jews, \$46.40; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, Church Haiti, \$10; Bishop Herzog, \$10; Bishop Newly, \$10. Total, \$659.28.

Total amount of Offerings, \$20,021.20.

*Property.*

Church and lot (estimated worth), \$190,000; Parsonage and lot (freehold lease), \$12,000; other property, Parish House, \$30,000; St. Peter's Orphan Home, \$12,000. Total, \$244,000.

Amount of salary pledged Rector, \$4,000; extra, \$500.

Number of sittings in the Church and Chapel, 1,250.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ALBANY.

Rector. The Rev. J. Livingston Reese.  
 Assistant. The Rev. Frederic J. Bassett.  
 Wardens. J. H. Van Antwerp, James H. Osborn.  
 Vestrymen. Wm. Lacy, Matthew W. Bender, A. P. Palmer, L. Bew, William H. Hill, John Woodward, Garret Van Allen, H. E. Sickels.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 13, Infants, 50), 63; Confirmed, 45; Marriages, 15; Burials,

46; Communicants, last reported, 572, admitted, 40, died, 118, present number recorded, 575; Sunday School, teachers, 78, pupils, 700.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$360.75; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$8,100; Sunday School, \$450; Increase and Improvement of Church property, \$4,300; Mission Chapel, \$1,525; for the poor, \$267.75; other Parish objects, \$962. Total, \$15,965.50.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$245; Salary of the Bishop, \$100; Diocesan Fund, \$75; Theological education, \$75; other Offerings for objects within the Diocese, \$350. Total, \$845.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$302.85; Foreign Missions, \$250; Indian Missions, \$102.50; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$50; Deaf Mute Mission, \$45; other Missions, \$450. Total, \$1,200.35.

Total amount of Offerings, \$18,010.85.

TRINITY CHURCH, ALBANY.

Rector. The Rev. Edward Selkirk.

Wardens. William Little, J. A. Howe.

Vestrymen. John Pritchard, Wm. Grey, Richard Norris, A. J. Yale, Geo. Kirk, Wm. C. Gilliland, Jno. Fisher, G. H. Hawley.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 100; Individuals (Adults, 300, Children, 225); Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 15), 17; Confirmed, 17; Marriages, 25; Burials, 17; Communicants, last reported, 184, admitted, 17, received, 12, died, 6, removed, 5, present number recorded, 191, actually communicating, 165; Public Services, Sundays, 96, Holy Days, 10, other days, 30, Holy Communion, public, 14, private, 8; Sunday School, teachers and librarians, 26, pupils, about 200; Catechizing, number of children, 200; number of times, each Sunday, as Superintendent.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$26.14; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$720.97; Sunday School, \$40; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$40. Total, \$827.11.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$14.25; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Diocesan Fund, \$5; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.25. Total, \$41.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$868.61.

*Property.*

Church and lot (estimated worth), as heretofore; Parsonage and Lot, as heretofore.

Condition of Property, fair.

Amount of Salary Pledged Rector, no specific sum.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 500.

Number rented, about 50; number free, such as are not rented.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, COHOES.

Rector. The Rev. Walker Gwynne.

Wardens. William E. Thorn and Michael Andrae.

Vestrymen. Joseph Chadwick, George Campbell, Wm. S. Smith, Samuel Horrocks, Robert Weir, Reuben Lee, James Smith, John A. Lathrop.

*Parochial Reports.**Parochial.*

Families, 400; Individuals (Adults, 900, Children, 500), 1,400; Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 45), 50; Confirmed, 21; Marriages, 23; Burials, 28; Churchings, 2; Communicants, last reported, 491, admitted, 27, received, 10, died, 9, removed, 12, present number recorded, 500; Public Services (Sundays, 150, other days, 450), 600; Holy Communion (public, 66, private, 11), 77; Sunday School, teachers, 30, pupils, 375; Catechizing, number of children, 300, number of times, 51.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$136.59; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$4,765.64; Sunday School, \$241.09; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$90.69. Total, \$5,234.01.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$200; Salary of the Bishop, \$56; Diocesan Fund, \$37.50; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$10; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5. Total, \$318.50.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$5.

Total amount of Offerings, \$5,557.51.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$40,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$10,000.

Condition of Property, very good.

Indebtedness.—Mortgage, \$12,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church and Chapel, 900; all free.

## TRINITY CHURCH, WEST TROY.

Rector. The Rev. George F. Breed.

Wardens. William Hollands and John H. Hulsapple.

Vestrymen. Thomas Rath, William Doring, Joseph McQuide, Alfred Spitzli, S. E. Pinchbeck, B. F. Stewart and S. D. Hopkins.

*Parochial.*

Families, 205; Individuals (Adults, 430, Children, 360), 790; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 28), 31; Confirmed, 20; Marriages, 9; Burials, 18; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 242, admitted, 21, received, 7, died, 1, removed, 13, present number recorded, 256, actually communicating, do not know; communions made during the year, 1,162; Public Services (Sundays, 125, Holy Days, 19, other days, 150), 294; Holy Communion (public, 60, private, 5), 65; Sunday School, teachers, 32, pupils, 259; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$81.04; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,145.64; Sunday School, \$139.35; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$309.97; Other Parochial Objects, \$235.92; St. Gabriel's Chapel, \$232.64; St. Andrew's Chapel, \$296.38. Total, \$3,440.94.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$22.01; Salary of the Bishop, \$32; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$3; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$7; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$3.30; the Child's Hospital, \$9.65. Total, \$76.96.

Total amount of Offerings, \$3,517.94.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$20,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$8,000; Other Property, Parish Building, \$2,300; St. Gabriel's Chapel and Lot, \$2,300; and St. Andrew's Chapel, \$1,000. Total, \$33,600. Condition of Property, good.

*Indebtedness.*

St. Gabriel's Chapel, \$400; Parish Building, \$38.56; Floating Debt, \$387. Total, \$825.56. Amount of Salary Pledged Rector, \$1,200 and Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in Church 400, rented and free; Sitzings in St. Gabriel's Chapel, 150; in St. Andrew's Chapel, 150; in Church Chapel or Sunday School Room, 100.

*Remarks.*

It may be seen in this report that the large sum of \$529.02, has been expended upon the two Missions in the Parish, while only \$22.01 has been given to other Missions in the Diocese. This has been done of *necessity* to continue the work begun in good missionary ground. When the Mission Chapels are out of debt, a larger sum can be given to other missionary work in and out of the Diocese. The general debt of the Parish has been *decreased* \$390.44, and the value of the property *increased* \$600. Owing to the *decrease* in pew rents and offerings, the vestry were *obliged* to adopt the pledge system the first of last November, and they confidently expect, and the trial of the past two months warrants this hope, that this *nearer* approach to *free will offerings* will secure at least the *necessary* expenses of the Parish.

## CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, ALBANY.

Rector. The Rev. Samuel E. Smith.

Wardens. William Mason, Samuel M. Van Santvoord.

Vestrymen. Wm. J. Dickson, Jr., J. Rathbun, O. D. Ball, M. D., C. Palmer, G. H. Birchall, Thos H. Wills, L. L. Derby, A. W. Kilbourne, M. D.

*Parochial.*

Families, 73; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 23), 26; Confirmed, 12; Marriages, 7; Burials, 22; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 177, admitted, 6, died, 12, removed, 6, present number recorded, 165, actually communicating, nearly 125; Public Services (Sundays, 108, Holy Days, 9, other days, 52), 169; Holy Communion (public, 20, private, 8), 28; Sunday School, teachers, 14, pupils, 140; Catechizing, number of times, 23.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$53.78; Current Expenses, including salaries, \$2,471.16; Sunday school, \$348.70; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$353.99. Total, \$3,227.63.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$33.51; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Diocesan Fund, \$37.50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$11; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$10.25; the Child's Hospital, \$5.25. Total, \$127.51.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$15.05; Indian Missions, \$40; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$2.50. Total, 57.55.

Total amount of Offerings, \$3,422.69.

*Property.*

Condition of property, very good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 222.



*Remarks.*

In order to avoid all mistakes concerning the financial ability of this Parish, it should be mentioned that the entire expenses of the Sunday School and the improvement of the Church property, as well as a very large proportion of the Rector's salary and the expenses of the choir, are met by interest from the legacy of the late William H. De Witt, in all, nearly \$1,900. The real "offerings" of the Parish, therefore, amount to about \$1,500.

**GRACE CHURCH, ALBANY.**

Rector. The Rev. D. L. Schwartz.

Wardens. John Jones, Charles W. White.

Vestrymen. B. F. Hinman, George B. Longleway, William Clerk, Thomas Penny, James Kirtland, Chambers Brown, William Wickens, William Washburn.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 7, Infants, 70), 77; Confirmed, 27; Marriages, 18; Burials, 39; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 288, admitted, 20, received, 6, died, 7, removed, 6, present number recorded, 249; Public Services (Sundays, 2, Holy Days, 1, other days, daily in Lent); Holy Communion (public, 22, private, 7); Sunday School, teachers, 35, pupils, 288; Catechizing, number of children, 288; number of times, every Sunday; Children's Service, first Sunday of the month.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,899.18; Sunday School, \$225; Young Men's Guild, \$75. Total, \$2,199.18.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$6.25; Salary of the Bishop, \$24; Diocesan Fund, \$20; the Child's Hospital, \$11.85. Total, \$62.10.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,261.23.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000; condition of property, good.

Number of sittings in the Church, 350; all free.

**TRINITY CHURCH, RENSSELAERVILLE.**

Rector. The Rev. Robert Washbon.

Wardens. James G. Jarvis, Franklin Frisbee.

Vestrymen. John J. Rice, N. Teed, Robert J. Washbon, Ed. Smith, Perre Gifford, Thomas G. Smith, Calvin Wright, Frank Rice.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 9, Infants, 10), 19; Burials, 2; Communicants, present number recorded, 70; Holy Communion, public, 14.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$31.12; Current Expenses, \$34.10; other Parochial objects, \$16.50. Total, \$82.45.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$32; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$2; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, N. Y., \$11; Fund for Aged Clergymen, \$1.50; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$1

Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$1 ; the Child's Hospital, \$1 ; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$2. Total, \$58.

General.— Domestic Missions, \$12.03 ; other objects exterior to the Diocese, Mission to Jews, \$3 ; Mission to Deaf and Dumb, \$4.47 ; Western Churches, \$2.79. Total, \$22 29.

Total amount of Offerings, \$162.74.

*Property.*

Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, Offerings.

*Remarks.*

I have held services and preached in the town of Westerlo in the Chapel and school-house ; also in the towns of Berne, Middleburgh and Broome, in the county of Schoharie, and have distributed Bibles and Prayer Books in all these places.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, GREEN ISLAND.

Rector. The Rev. R. J. Adler.

Wardens. Richard Leonard, Hon. Uri Gilbert.

Vestrymen. Thomas Nimmo, Henry Stowell, Robert Cole, Edward A. Gilbert, Wm. Henry Harrison De Mille, James Madden, Percy M. Fenton, Thomas H. Walker.

*Parochial.*

Families, 89 ; Individuals (Adults, 201, Children, 170), 371 ; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 19), 22 ; Confirmed, 17 ; Marriages, 6 ; Burials, 9 ; Communicants, present number recorded, 129 ; Public Services (Sundays, 98, Holy Days, 1, other days, 57), 156 ; Holy Communion (public, 11, private, 3), 14 ; Sunday School, teachers, 15, pupils, 143 ; Catechizing, all the School once a month.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$13.29 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,220.87 ; Sunday School Offering, \$363.50 ; Ladies' Society Offering, \$286.60 ; Young Ladies' Aid Offering, \$84 ; St. Mark's Guild Offering, \$85. Total, \$2,053.26.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$12.87 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$10. Total, \$22.87.

General.— Domestic Missions, \$8.30 ; Foreign Missions, \$5.25. Total, \$13.55.

Total amount of Parish Offerings, \$2,089.68 ; Rector's Offerings (see below), \$2,173.42. Grand total, \$4,263.10.

Seats, free.

Indebtedness, none.

*Remarks.*

The Rector has erected (after submitting his plans to, and obtaining consent of his Vestry) an addition 22x33, transverse at the east end of the Chapel. Remodeled the Chapel by taking out partitions, putting in dormer windows (stained glass), addition of two porches, and extending the new cellar under the old building, etc., at an expense of \$2,173.42. To the furnishing of which the Sunday School applied their offerings of \$363.50 for seats ; the Ladies' Society, part of their offerings, \$75.60, for carpets ; the Young Ladies' Aid, part of their offerings, \$38 for table ; and the Vestry, out of current funds, \$100 for the same. These

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last four amounts are included under their various heads in Parochial Offerings above. The sum total expended in improvements of property thus amounts to \$2,825.52. The whole building is now divided into three parts. One for Sunday School and other services; one for infant class and the various society meetings; and one for the Rector's study. These three can, by a system of sliding doors, be thrown into one whole, entirely unobstructed room, equal in seating capacity to the Church. Thus our pressing want, of insufficient accommodations, has been met. My greatest want now is *Sunday School teachers*.

**Clinton County.****TRINITY CHURCH, PLATTSBURGH.**

Rector. The Rev. Henry Mason Smyth.

Assistant. The Rev. John N. Marvin.

Wardens. J. R. Emerson, P. S. Palmer.

Vestrymen. Bernard Young, W. S. Ketchum, G. F. Nichols, A. M. Warren, W. J. McCaffrey, J. M. Wever, O. H. McNeil, J. C. Smith.

*Parochial.*

Families, 99; Individuals (Adults, 280, Children, 100), 380; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 12), 16; Confirmed, 4; Marriages, 9; Burials, 7; Communicants, last reported, 228, admitted, 4, received, 7, died, 2, removed, 82, present number recorded, 200; Public Services (Sundays, morning and evening; Holy Days, morning; other days, Wednesday morning, Friday morning and evening); Holy Communion (public, 19, private, 8), 27; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 63; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$37.42; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,691.45; Sunday School, \$43.70; Other Parochial objects, toward new Communion Vessels (currency and articles of gold and silver), total value, \$150; toward a new organ, \$176; care of Rectory, benevolence, etc., \$173.37. Total, \$2,271.94.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$58.45; Diocesan Fund, \$30; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2; Increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$2; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$2; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$4.11; the Child's Hospital, \$2; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$2; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, Convocation, \$2.50. Total, \$107.06.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$7; Foreign Missions, \$7. Total, \$14.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,393.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$20,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$4,000.

Condition of Property, fair.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 500; all free.

**CHRIST CHURCH, ROUSES POINT.**

Rector. The Rev. Irving McElroy, M. A.

Wardens. D. White, John Phillips.

Vestrymen. T. Crook, J. Shaw, Jr., C. J. Luck, H. Bissell, S. H. Mott.

*Parochial.*

Families, 113; Individuals (Adults, 265, Children, 92), 357; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 16), 22; Confirmed, 8; Marriages, 4; Burials, 12; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 129, admitted, 12, received, 10, died, 4, removed, 14, present number recorded, 133; Public Services (Sundays, 103, Holy Days, 15, other days 97), 215; Holy Communion (public, 25, private, 7), 32; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 45; Catechizing, number of Children, 45, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$26.85; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$803.32; Sunday School, \$63.68; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$35. Total, \$928.85.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$29.56; Salary of the Bishop, \$8; Diocesan Fund, \$7.50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10.06; the Child's Hospital, \$0.50. Total, \$55.62.

Total amount of Offerings, \$984.47.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$1,000; other property, \$500.

Condition of Property, fair.

Indebtedness.—Mortgage on Church, \$415.

Amount of salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; number rented, three-fourths; number free, one-fourth.

*Remarks.*

Services, 11 A. M. 7:30 P. M., Holy Communion first Sunday in each month, and on greater festivals.

My work this year has included visitations and services at Chateaugay, Mooers Forks and Mooers, Altona and other villages on the line of the O. & L. C. R. R.; Chazy and Coopersville on the D. & H. R. R., and in La Salle, P. Q. I baptized two adults and four infants at Chateaugay, and three infants at Centreville, where also I buried one child.

There were fifteen Sunday services held at Chateaugay by the Rev. A. A. Allen of Huntington, P. Q., and I have held ten or more services on week-days and holy days.

Population of town, 2,000.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CHAMPLAIN.

Rector. The Rev. Irving McElroy, M. A.

Assistant. George D. Shattuck, M. D., Lay Reader.

Wardens David Finley, S. Alonzo Kellogg.

Vestrymen. George H. Burroughs, deceased, James Averill, Jr., J. W. Moore, H. Dunham, H. Hoyle.

*Parochial.*

Families, 32; Individuals (Adults, 75, Children, 35), 110; Baptisms, Infants, 1; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 49, received, 2, removed, 1, present number recorded, 50; Public Services (Sundays, 57, Holy Days, 12, other days, 20), 89; Holy Communion (public, 20, private, 5), 25; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 25; Catechizing, number of ~~Children, 45, number of times, 12.~~ Children, 25, number of times, 2.

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Parochial. Alms at Holy Communion, \$19.49 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$370.81 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$64.93 ; other Parochial objects, \$167.65. Total, \$622.88.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$22.40 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12 ; Diocesan Fund, \$3.12 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$4.60. Total, \$42.12.

Total amount of Offerings, \$664.50.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$1,500 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,500 ; condition of property, fair.

*Indebtedness.*

On Rectory, \$1,000 ; on Parish Church, \$125 — \$1,125.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$150.

Number of sittings in the Church, 250 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

Services, 8:30 P. M. ; Holy Communion, 11 A. M., on third Sunday in each month. During the summer, when I have the services of a Lay Reader, I have service twice each Lord's Day.

Population of town about 1,800.

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ELLENBURGH.**

Rector. The Rev. Silas M. Rogers, A. M.

Wardens. George Higgins, Robert M. Whyte, M. D.

Vestrymen. William Sawyer, John Houghran, James Higgins, Henry Shutts, Giles Carew, A. Moore, Millard Emerson, Heman Allen.

*Parochial.*

Families, 13 ; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 13), 15 ; Marriages, 3 ; Burials, 4 ; Communicants, present number recorded, 26 ; Public Services (Sundays, 52, Holy Days, 3), 55 ; Holy Communion, public, 13 ; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 40 ; Catechizing, number of times, 51.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$6 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$203 ; other Parochial objects, \$26.60. Total, \$235.60.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$3.13 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$1. Total, \$4.13.

Total amount of Offerings, \$239.73.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,000 ; condition of property, pretty good.

**Columbia County.****CHRIST CHURCH AND CHAPEL OF ALL SAINTS, HUDSON.**

Rector. The Rev. John C. Tebbetts.

Rector's Assistant. The Rev. Wm. M. Cook.

• Wardens. Robert B. Monell, Wm. B. Skinner.

Vestrymen. Hy. J. Baringer, Jas. M. Punderson, John P. Wheeler, M. D.,

**Elias W. Kimball, Leonard J. Rossman, Edward J Hamilton, John M. Pearson  
Smith Thompson.**

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 45), 49 ; Confirmed, 21 ; Marriages, 8 ; Burials, 15 ; Communicants, admitted, 21, received, 6, died, 2, removed, 6, present number recorded, 316 ; Public Services (Sundays, 153, Holy Days, 43, other days, 157), 353 ; Holy Communion (public, 48, private, 5), 53 ; Sunday School, teachers, 43, pupils, 424 ; Catechizing, number of children, 424, number of times, monthly ; Industrial School, teachers, 7, pupils, 37.

### Offerings.

**Parochial—Alms at Holy Communion, \$143.77; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,272.71; Sunday Schools, \$344.43; other Parochial objects, \$701.24. Total, \$4,462.15.**

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$45.81 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$60 ; Diocesan Fund, \$30 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$13.24 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$10.50 ; the Child's Hospital, \$13.99 ; Theological Education, \$22. Total, \$195.54.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$50 ; Foreign Missions, \$56.07 ; other objects exterior to the Diocese, Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$2 ; Society for the Increase of the Ministry, \$10 ; Paris Mission, \$25 ; Conversion of the Jews, \$10. Total, \$153.07.

**Total amount of Offerings, \$4,810.76.**

**Property.**

Church and Lot (estimated worth), Parsonage and Lot and other Property;  
\$64,000 ; condition of property, good.

**Amount of Salary pledged and paid Rector, \$1,200, with rectory.**

**Number of Sittings in the Church and Chapel, 750.**

*Remarks.*

At the Chapel of All Saints, which is a Mission of Christ Church, three persons have been confirmed and ten infants baptized. There are now 124 children in the Sunday School (an increase of 34 above last report), and 13 teachers. The offerings for the year amount to \$127.53. The sum of \$68.97 was collected, mainly by subscription, for the Christmas Festival. These figures are included in the report.

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST'S CHURCH, STOCKPORT.**

**Rector. The Rev. George Fisher.**

**Assistants.** The Revs. John Prout, and W. B Reynolds.

**Wardens. Chas. A. Stott, Thomas H. James.**

**Vestrymen.** Frank H. Stott, John McGargle (deceased), Wm. F. Butler, Jr., Gordon B. Reynolds, Wm. H. Van de Carr, James Hyde, Frank M. Snyder, Frank C. Kittle.

*Parochial.*

Families, estimated, 140; Individuals (Adults, 800, estimated Children, 200), 500 Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 15), 20; Confirmed, 20; Marriages, 4; Burials, 10; Communicants, last reported, 176, admitted, 20, received 3, died, 2, removed, 5, present number recorded, 192, actually communicating, 168; Public Services (Sundays, Church, 104, Chapel, 104, 208; ~~11~~ 12 Chapel, 7, 20

other days, Church, 12, Chapel, 18, 30), 258; Holy Communion (public, Church, 20, Chapel, 17, 37; private, 8), 45; Sunday School, teachers, Church, 12, Chapel, 32, 44, pupils, Church, 105, Chapel, 235, 340, Catechizing, in the Sunday Schools, number of times, Church, 28, Chapel, 25, Parish School, teachers, 2, pupils, 30.

#### *Offerings.*

**Parochial** — Alms at Holy Communion, \$20, Current Expenses, including, Salaries, \$2,379.73; Sunday School, \$120.30; Other Parochial Objects, \$294.58. Total, \$2,814.61.

**Diocesan** — Diocesan Missions, \$160, Salary of the Bishop, \$50, Diocesan Fund \$25; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$20; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5.83; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$5; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$113.56; the Child's Hospital, \$36.04; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$15. Total, \$430.43.

**General** — Domestic Missions, \$30; Foreign Missions, \$20; Indian Missions, \$20; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, Mission to the Jews, \$18.40; Bishop Green's Training School, \$10. Total, \$98.40.

Total amount of Offerings, \$3,343.44.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,500, Parsonage and Lot, \$600, Other Property, \$2,500.

Amount of Salary Pledged Rector, \$1,000

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 800, Chapel, 300; number free, all.

#### *Remarks.*

This report includes the work at St. Barnabas' Chapel, Stottville. The Rev. Mr. Reynolds has this year, as in the past, freely given his services to the great relief of the Rector. The Rev. John Prout has assisted during the months of June, September, October, November and December. The Rev. F. H. T. Horsfield assisted in July and August.

Valuable additions have been made to the Sunday School library at Stockport and a very beautiful service of silver for the celebration of the Holy Communion has been provided at Stottville. In addition to the above, weekly cottage services have been held in different parts of the Parish during the autumn and winter; the music, rendered by a quartette, was a marked feature of the services at Stottville, during the summer and autumn. At Easter, the ladies of the Parish sent a very valuable package of clothing to the Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, at Cooperstown.

#### **ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, KINDERHOOK.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Samuel Hanson Coxe, S. T. D.

**Wardens.** Henry S. Wynkoop, George H. Taylor.

**Vestrymen** Francis Silvester, Isaac V. A. Snyder, Aaron J. Vanderpool, Edward P. Van Alstyne, Augustus W. Wynkoop, Elbridge G. Howard, C. H. Housman, George H. Howard.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 50; Individuals (Adults, 120, Children, 80), 200; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 8), 10; Confirmed, 11; Marriages, 2; Burials, 4; Communicants, 84; Public Services (Sundays, 104, other days, 60), 164, Holy Communion, public, 13; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 76.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,435.20.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$231.98; Salary of the Bishop, \$26; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$10.67; the Child's Hospital, \$10.67; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$45. Total, \$314.32.

Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$45.22.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,794.74.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$8,000.

Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; all free.

*Remarks.*

Catechizing is in Sunday School as one of its exercises, and is intended to be monthly. The Rector thankfully acknowledges on behalf of the Church, reception during the year of two valuable gifts: first, of a beautiful corona for the chancel, sustaining twenty-four lights, presented by Mr. Henry S. Wynkoop; and second, a costly font of Caen stone, "*ex dono*," by legacy of Miss Catherine G. Johnson, which was first received into the Church, and recognized by the Bishop, on occasion of his visitation to the Parish May 10. The Rector records again, with gratification, the indefatigable efforts of the ladies, in conducting through another season the industrial school.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN IN THE WILDERNESS, COPAKE IRON WORKS.

Rector. The Rev. G. W. Dean, D. D.

Wardens. J. C. Chesborough, Senior Warden, Junior Warden resigned.

Vestrymen. H. S. Goodale, W. A. Miles, Fred'k P. Miles, Asa Martin, Darius Weed, Wm. Wright, Peter Campbell, Lot Cook.

*Parochial.*

Families, 40; Confirmed, 2; Communicants, 9; Public Services (Sundays, 6, other days, 1), 7; Holy Communion, public, 5; Sunday School, teachers, 4; pupils, 39.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$32.84; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$100.64; Sunday School, \$5.57; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$74.34; Other Parochial Objects, \$5.66. Total, \$219.05.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$6; Salary of the Bishop, \$12. Total, \$18.

Total amount of Offerings, \$237.05.

*Property.*

Church and Lot, Parsonage and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000.

Condition of Property, in need of repairs and improvements.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in Church, 200; number free, all.

TRINITY CHURCH, CLAVERACK.

Priest in charge. The Rev. W. M. Cook.

Wardens. Horatio G. Adams, James J. Studley.

Vestrymen. Cornelius Shaw, Dudley Pierce, Chas. D. Studley, Manaen L. White.



*Parochial.*

Families, 37 ; Individuals (Adults, 81, Children, 23), 104; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 3), 4; Confirmed, 3; Burials, 2; Communicants, last reported, 37, admitted, 3, received, 2, died, 2, present number recorded, 40, actually communicating, 36; Public Services (Sundays, 44, Holy Days, 18, other days, 11), 73, Holy Communion (public, 36, private, 1), 37; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 31; Catechizing, number of times, 15.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$77.07; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$239.03, For the Sunday School, \$21.20; By the Sunday School, \$6. Other Parochial Objects, Insurance on Church and Organ, \$27.91 Total, \$371.21.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$35.50; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$7.50; The Child's Hospital, \$0.65. Total, \$39.65.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$1.52.

Total amount of Offerings, \$412.38.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000; Other Property, Organ, \$200.

Condition of Property, fair

Amount of Salary pledged Priest in charge, \$150.

Number of Sittings in the Church, 156; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

In the Hudson River Collegiate Institute, situated at Claverack, there are some twenty students that attend Trinity Church, among them seven or eight communicants. These, however, are not included in the above report.

### THE CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR, LEBANON SPRINGS, AND CHATHAM MISSION.

Priest and Missionary. The Rev. Joseph Hooper.

\*Wardens. Silas G. Owen, Wm. H. Babcock.

\*Vestrymen. John G. Field, Essek C. King, Hampton C. Bull, Francis Myers, Elam F. Tanner.

*Parochial.*

Families, 55; Individuals (Adults, 90, Children, 45); Baptisms (Infants, 1); Marriages, 4; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 76, received, 6, removed, 3; present number recorded, 79; actually communicating, 60; Public Services (Sundays, 120, Holy Days, 20, other days, 70); Holy Communion (public, 24, private, 1); Sunday School, teachers, 1, pupils, 10.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$350.58; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,994.36.† Total, \$2,344.94.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$3; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$1; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$1.50. Total, \$11.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,356.44.

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\* Of the Church of Our Savior, Lebanon Springs

† Of this sum \$300 has been previously reported and remained on deposit until used.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), at Lebanon Springs, \$3,500.

Condition of Property, new.

Amount of Salary paid Rector, \$325.08.

Number of Sitzings in the Church at Lebanon Springs, 180 ; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The statistics include official acts and offerings at all the stations in the Mission. Removals from Chatham make the number of families nearly the same as last year, notwithstanding the accessions at Lebanon Springs. It is with devout thankfulness to Almighty God, that the Missionary records the completion of the Church at Lebanon Springs. The work commenced May 12th, a corner-stone was laid June 4th, and the Church occupied on the 16th Sunday after Trinity, Sept. 12th. The plans were modified from the original ones, by Mr. Chas. P. Edgerton of Albany, who furnished the working drawings and specifications. The building is of stone to the eaves; from there, of wood. The kind response of churchmen generally to the appeals made is gratefully acknowledged. Special acknowledgments are due to Saint Peter's Church, Albany, for their gift of a window, Saint John's, Troy, for an altar rail, and Mr. Samuel J. Tilden of New York, for his generosity in furnishing the chancel. The windows are all memorial. The side and porch windows, of sheet Cathedral glass, are in memory of Mr. John B. Gale, one of the founders of the Parish. The west window is a memorial of the Hon. Ransom H. Gillett and Mr. Silas W. Gillett, who were among the early and steadfast friends of the Church.

**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CLERMONT.**

The Rev. Moses E. Wilson, Minister in charge.

Trustees. W. H. Wilson, R. Dibblee, H. Wilson, G. Z. Foland, M. E. Wilson, W. C. Doane, J. A. Cook.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Infants, 2); Confirmed, 1; Burials, 7; Communicants, admitted, 1, died, 5, present number recorded, 10; Public Services (Sundays, 54, other days, 8); Holy Communion (public, 10, private, 2).

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$16.55.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$12; Salary of the Bishop, \$3; Other collections, \$19.70. Total, \$34.70.

Total amount of Offerings, \$51.25.

*Remarks.*

The above report covers nine months, from Jan. 1st to Oct. 1st, of the year 1879, and three months in the summer of 1880. Otherwise the Church has been closed since October, 1879. It is, however, the hope and expectation of the congregation, that arrangements may be made for giving them Sunday services at least a part of the time.

**Delaware County.****ST PETER'S CHURCH, HOBART**

Rector The Rev. Reginald H. Barnes.

Wardens Samuel H. Taylor, Hector Stewart

Vestrymen, Peter Kilpatrick, Edmond B. Taylor, Alpheus Rollins, A. H. Grant, George Barlow, Alexander McDonald, Charles S. Stewart, Wm. H. Barlow.

*Parochial.*

Families, 75; Individuals (Adults, 235, Children, 97), 332. Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 2), 3; Marriages, 2; Burials, 7; Communicants, last reported, 113, admitted, 8, received, 2, died, 3, removed, 1, present number recorded, 119; actually communicating, 115; Public Services (Sundays, 98, Holy Days, 7, other days, 58), 163; Holy Communion (public, 15, private, 1), 16; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 87; Catechizing, number of children, about 60, number of times, 24

*Offerings.*

Parochial — Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise reported, \$32.50; Current Expenses, including salaries, \$675.00; Sunday school (offerings, \$29.52, library, \$78.20), \$107.72; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,611.00. Total, \$2,426.22.

Diocesan — Diocesan Missions, \$28.32; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$6; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4.74; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$3.17; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$3.17; The Child's Hospital, \$3.60; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$5.90; Taxes and Repairs Bishop's house, \$5. Total, \$71.90.

General.—General Missions from the Sunday School, \$3.70; Domestic Missions, \$4.41; Foreign Missions, \$4.40. Total, \$12.51.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,510.63.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,000; Other Property, \$500.

Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 350

Number rented, 52 pews; gallery free.

*Remarks.*

During the fall season, extensive improvements have been made in the Church and Rectory, through the aid of devout Churchmen and Churchwomen not residing in this Parish, but principally through families formally resident of Hobart. To the Church has been added a recess chancel, organ chamber and sacristy, besides forty sittings very much needed. The beautiful stained glass chancel window is a memorial to Abram D. and Eliza B. Smythe, by their children and grand-children. There are also four other memorial windows in the hands of the artisans. Extensive alterations have been made at the Rectory, affording greater comfort and convenience. For all the works the money was provided first, so that there are no debts for improvements that cost over \$1,600, and the new chancel awaits the consecration of our Bishop.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, DELHI.**

**Rector. The Rev. John Vaughan Lewis, D. D.**

**Wardens. John W. Woodruff, S. E. Smith.**

**Vestrymen.** Green Moore, John Calhoun, M. D., O. W. Smith, George Paine, B. L. Robinson, E. T. Gerry, Jesse Redfield, Chas. E. Hitt.

*Parochiul.*

Families, about 115; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 7), 13; Confirmed, 7; Marriages, 2; Burials, 7; Communicants, admitted, 7, received, 6, died, 3, removed, 10, present number recorded, 224; Public Services (Sundays, 3, Holy Days, 2, other days, 1 daily, 2 on Wednesdays and Friday in Advent and Lent); Holy Communion (public on all Sundays and Feasts, private, 2); Sunday School, teachers, 11, pupils, 90; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise credited, \$84.57; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,714.35; Sunday School, about \$40; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$370.00; Other Parochial objects, about \$120. Total, \$2,328.92.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$83.45; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$40.00; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$30; the Child's Hospital, \$5. Total, \$188.45.

**General.—Domestic Missions, \$251.55; Foreign Missions, \$27.46. Total, \$279.01.  
Total amount of Offerings, \$2,796.38.**

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000 ; Other Property, \$1,000.

**Condition of Property, good.**

**Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200 and Rectory.**

**Number of Sitzings in the Church, 380.**

## Remarks.

The Rectorship was vacant from the Feast of SS. Philip and James to the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels. The present Rector supplied services during the summer, but took no pastoral duty, until he accepted the Rectorship, on the latter date. The Holy Communion has been celebrated since St. Michael's Day, on all Sundays and Holy Days, and Evening Prayer has been said daily, with Morning Prayer on Wednesdays and Fridays in Advent. Average attendance at Holy Communion on Sundays, about 45. Average attendance at daily service, about 25.

The exterior of the Church has been painted. A water motor has been applied to the organ and sundry minor improvements has been made in Church and Rectory. The preceding report is necessarily somewhat imperfect owing to the change of Rectors. The Rector's salary is paid monthly, in advance, with most commendable promptitude.

**CHRIST CHURCH, WALTON.**

**Rector. The Rev. Scott B. Rathbun.**

**Wardens.** David H. Gay, George St. John.

Vestrymen. Edwin Guild, S. H. St. John, Frederick A. Brisack, Samuel B. Merwin, John S. Elles, James P. Fancher.

*Parochial Reports.**Parochial.*

Families, 80; Individuals (Adults, 203, Children, 90), 293; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 1), 2; Marriages, 4, Burials, 5; Communicants, last reported, 102, admitted, 1, received, 3, died, 2, removed, 2, present number recorded, 102, actually communicating, 90; Public Services (Sundays, 2, Holy Days, 1, other days Wednesday and Friday in Lent; Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 1), 17; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 90, including Bible Classes, Catechizing, number of children, average, 50, number of times, nearly every Sunday

*Offerings.*

Parochial — Alms at Holy Communion, \$40.56, exclusive of \$47.50 appropriated as below to Diocesan Charities and Missions; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$700, Sunday School, \$19.68; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,433 11; Other Parochial Objects, Children's Christmas Festival, \$27 81; Ladies' Society (exclusive of \$157 contributed to Improvement Fund above), \$44.37 Total, \$2,264 48.

Diocesan. — Diocesan Missions, \$31.21; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Diocesan Fund, \$12 50; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$5; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$3; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$3; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5; the Child's Hospital, \$4; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$6 50 Total, \$100 21

General. — Domestic Missions, \$5.80; Foreign Missions, \$5. Total, \$10.80.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,375 49.

Amount of salary pledged Rector, \$500 and Rectory

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 225, number rented, 200; number free, 25.

*Remarks.*

During the past year a new and commodious Rectory has been built. That this was accomplished without incurring debt (from which the Parish is *entirely* free), is owing largely to the liberality of the St. John Brothers, the one a Warden, the other a Vestryman of the Church. The contributions toward this object, however, were general; other members of the congregation giving according to their ability. The Ladies' Parish Aid Society also deserves great credit for its energy in prosecuting its work of church improvement. As will be seen from the foregoing report, it has contributed over \$200.00 toward that object during the past year. It now proposes (D. V.) to refurnish the Sunday School and Lecture Room, if possible, before the coming Lenten season.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, FRANKLIN.**

Rector The Rev. J. W. McIlwaine.

Wardens. Henry S. Edwards, Col Benj. T. Cooke.

Vestrymen, Milton Bostwick, Alfred Rathbun, Andrew T. Treadwell, Samuel Lloyd, Alfred Barnes, A. C. Page, John T. Waters, Eli P. Howe.

*Parochial.*

Families, 38; Individuals (Adults, 80, Children, 25), 105; Baptisms (Infants, 1); Burials, 1; Communicants, present number recorded, 60; Sunday School pupils, 10.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$13 70, since July 1 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$65. Total, \$78.70.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$9 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$3. Total, \$12.

General.— Domestic Missions, \$3.

Total amount of Offerings, \$93.70.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,200.

Condition of property, Church, excellent ; Parsonage, fair.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$400.

Number of sittings in the Church, 400 ; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

Divine service is held every Sunday morning, except the second Sunday in the month, when evening service is held in order to give the morning to Otego. The Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month.

The prospect is on the whole encouraging. Deaths and removals have for a number of years past been thinning the ranks of the members of the Parish ; and causes beyond control have made accessions few and far between. But there is a vitality remaining which discouragements will not destroy. The ladies of the Parish, especially, are planning and executing for its prosperity ; and their efforts have already met with much success.

**Essex County.**

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ESSEX.**

The Rev. Eugene L. Toy, Priest in charge and Missionary.

Wardens. S. D. Derby, James B. Ross

Vestrymen. E. D. Ferguson, M. D., A. J. Tucker, John Ross A. J. B. Ross, R. Fortune, P. E. Havens, John Ferris, Ezra Parkhill.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 16), 18 ; Burials, 6 ; Communicants, last reported, 85, admitted, 2, received, 6, died, 3, removed, 4, present number recorded, 86 ; Public Services (Sundays, 78, Holy Days, 20, other days, 44), 142 ; Holy Communion (public, 19, private, 1), 20 ; Sunday School, teachers, 2, pupils, 26 ; Catechizing, number of children, 26 ; number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$510.55 ; Sunday School, \$31.50 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$80.75. Total, \$622.80.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$50 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$12 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$3.55. Total, \$65.55.

General.— General Theological Seminary, \$2 ; Ch. Soc., etc., among Jews, \$2. Total, \$4.

Total amount of Offerings, \$692.35.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000

and Lot, \$1,700 ; Other

Condition of Property, Parsonage not finished.

Condition of other Property, Church, etc., very good

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300

Number of sittings in the Church, 100; number free, all

*Remarks.*

This Mission includes the villages of Essex, Elizabethtown, Willsborough, Bouquet, Whallonsburg, Wadham's Mills and Lewis. During the summer Elizabethtown is filled with visitors from the cities. Mission work was started there this summer, and services held every Sunday during the "season." The offerings were \$159.99, and are included in this report. Plans have been given by Mr. Haight, of New York city, for a Chapel to cost about \$2,000. A solid silver chalice and paten have been given, and are now in New York. Dr. Potter, of Grace Church, New York, has promised a stained glass window. Other gifts are promised, and about \$300 has been raised for the building.

In Essex the Chapel has been moved to the west end of the lot, and almost entirely rebuilt. A vestry-room, organ chamber, porch and belfry have been added, and the building is now ready for consecration. A new carpet, Litany desk and bell have been given to the Church.

Where the Chapel formerly stood a Parsonage is built, and will be ready for use early in the spring. Fewer services and celebrations are reported this year than last, on account of building.

The Parish is *afire* and is weak only in numbers.

**CHRIST CHURCH, PORT HENRY.**

Rector. The Rev. Wm. R. Woodbridge.

Assistant. The Rev. Charles E. Cragg.

Wardens. Wm. M. J. Botham, George Hoy.

Vestrymen. Frank S. Atwell, Theodore Trombles, Jr., Thomas F. Witherbee, Clarence E. Wolcott, Joseph D. Atwell.

*Parochial.*

Families, 29; Individuals (Adults, 69, Children, 86), 155; Baptisms (Infants, 10) = Marriages, 4; Burials, 5; Communicants, last reported, 73, received, 1, removed, 16, present number recorded, 58, actually communicating, 45; Public Services (Sundays, 99, Holy Days, 25, other days, 51), 175; Holy Communion (public, 18) = Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 68; Catechizing, number of children, 22 = number of times, 6.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including salaries, \$641.99.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions (of which Sunday School, \$5.14), \$23.16; Salary of the Bishop, \$8; Diocesan Fund, \$13; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.28; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$8.50; The Child's Hospital, \$3; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, interest and taxes on Bishop's house, \$5; Essex county Bible Society, \$8. Total, \$68.94.

General.—Domestic Missions, by Sunday School, \$4.09; Foreign Missions (of which Sunday School, \$4.83), \$3.38; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, Mission work in Mexico (by Sunday School), \$2.48. Total, \$14.90.

Total amount of Offerings, \$725.83.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000.

Condition of property, good.

Indebtedness.— For current expenses, \$294.99.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$520.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175 ; number free, all.

EMMANUEL MISSION, MINEVILLE.

Missionary. The Rev. William R. Woodbridge.

Assistant. The Rev. Charles E. Cragg.

Warden. James Wait.

Treasurer. George T. Treadway.

*Parochial.*

Families, 18 ; Individuals (Adults, 39, Children, 46), 85 ; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 9), 12 ; Burials, 3 ; Communicants, last reported, 31, received, 5, removed, 7, present number recorded, 29, actually communicating, 18 ; Public Services (Sundays, 52, Holy Days, 7, other days, 43), 102 ; Holy Communion (public, 8) ; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 30.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$33.06 ; Sunday School, \$10.73 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$9 ; other Parochial objects, gifts to Missionary, \$31.50. Total, \$84.29.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$1.78.

Total amount of Offerings, \$86.07.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,000.

Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, none ; Assistant Minister, none.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 120 ; number free, all.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, AU SABLE FORKS.

Rector. The Rev. Charles A. Bragdon.

Warden. James Rogers.

Clerk. Anson Bosley.

Treasurer. H. D. Graves.

*Parochial.*

Families, 43 ; Individuals (Adults, 120, Children, 95), 215 ; Baptisms (Adults, 12, Infants, 16), 28 ; Confirmed, 16 ; Marriages, 3 ; Burials, 10 ; Communicants, last reported, 59 ; admitted, 16, received, 2, died, 3, removed, 9, present number recorded, 65, actually communicating, 45 ; Public Services (Sundays, 98, Holy Days, 24, other days, 80) ; Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 2) ; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 55.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$28.35 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$718.10 ; Sunday School, \$7.15. Total, \$753.60.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$28.74 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$16 ; Diocesan Fund, \$25 for 1879 and 1880 ; ~~of which \$165, of which~~



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\$17.25 from Sunday School; the Child's Hospital, \$42 from Sunday School; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$1.50; Convocation of Troy, \$18. Total, \$146.94.

Total amount of Offerings, \$900.54.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$12,000.

Condition of Property, excellent

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 225; all free.

*Remarks*

I have held nineteen services at Palmer Hill on Sunday afternoons. Also two services at Keeseville

The Church received a present of a solid silver Communion set from Mrs. Abby R. Clark in memory of her father, James Rogers.

## ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, SCHROON LAKE.

Missionary The Rev. Aubrey F. Todrig.

*Parochial*

Families, 32; Individuals (Adults, 60, Children, 80), 140; Baptisms, Adults, 4, Infants, 19), 23; Marriages, 1; Communicants, last reported, 12, present number recorded, 12, actually communicating, 12; Holy Communion (public, every Sunday; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 38; Catechizing, number of children, 38; number of times, every Sunday.

*Remarks.*

The acting treasurer informs me that *seven hundred and sixty-six dollars* have been received during the past year from offertory donations, concert and fair. To which is to be added *two hundred dollars* raised by the people of Schroon as additional stipend and for rent of Parsonage. This is particularly gratifying as it shows an *increase* in the amount of money raised this year over last.

I also report the very kind gift of forty-two dollars received by the Priest in charge

Besides the liberal aid the summer visitors to Schroon give the Mission, I am indebted especially to my friends Mr. Wm. S. Leland, of the Leland House, and Mr. H. T. Abey, of the Lake House, who not only contribute liberally to the work here but also on all occasions throw open their houses for our use.

**Franklin County.**

## ST. MARK'S CHURCH, MALONE.

Rector. The Rev. John B. Pitman.

Wardens. Wm. Andrus, H. A. Taylor

Vestrymen. F. T. Heath, J. J. Seaver, M. S. Mallon, S. S. Willard, David Webster, J. E. Barry, R. S. Brown.

*Parochial*

Families, 90; (Adults, 359, Children, 120), 479; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 8), 11; Confirmed 5; Marriages, 4; Burials, 7; Communicants, last reported, 143, 3, removed, 8, present number recorded, 174, actually com-

municating, 113; Public Services (Sundays, 121, Holy Days, 7, other days, 48), 176; Holy Communion (public, 21, private, 5), 26; Sunday School, teachers, 13, pupils, 85; Catechizing, number of children, 75; number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$32.23; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,344.26; Sunday School, \$118.96; Other Parochial Objects, Charity, \$28.75 Total, \$1,524.20.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$89 65; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Diocesan Fund, \$20; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$14; the Child's Hospital, \$8.50; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, Expenses on Bishop's House, \$15; Rev. J. Hooper, Lebanon Springs, \$5. Total, \$182.15.

General.—Objects exterior to the Diocese, Conversion of Jews, \$4; Sauk Centre Church Mission, \$5. Total, \$9.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$1,715.35.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$6,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 450; all free.

*Remarks.*

The difference in present number of Communicants reported and the report last year is owing to the fact that a large number were "*dropped*" last year without authority from Ecclesiastical Law, as absence from Holy Com., though it be for a life-time, is not regarded by Rubric or Canon as a "notorious offense." The Clergy are, therefore, powerless while the Parish and the Church suffers from this class of offenders.

**ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BRUSHTON.**

Rector. The Rev. N. H. Burnham (resigned October 1, 1880).

Wardens. C. Jameson, J. C. Farnsworth.

Vestrymen. H. Corbin Brush, George Earl, Robert Dunlop, C. J. Jameson, Wm. S. Barnum, O. H. P. Fancher.

*Parochial.*

Families, 17; Burials, 2; Communicants, last reported, 37, removed, 3, present number recorded, 28, actually communicating, 28; Public Services (Sundays, 23, Holy Days, 2, other days, 7), 32; Holy Communion, Public, 4; Sunday School teachers, 2, pupils, 8.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$17.24; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$159.23. Total, \$176.47.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$12.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$188.47.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.

Number of Sitzings in ~~the Church~~

## ST. MARK'S CHURCH, WEST BANGOR.

Warden. Ira A. Darling.

*Parochial.*

Families, 18; Individuals (Adults, 60, Children, 50, Baptisms (Infants, 8); Confirmed, 5; Marriages, 1. Communicants, last reported, 28, admitted, 3, removed, 2, present number recorded, 30, actually communicating, 26; Public Services (Sundays, 31, Holy Days, 2, other days, 8); Holy Communion (public, 6, private, 1); Sunday School, teachers 7, pupils, 46; Catechizing, number of times, 4.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$7.89; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$102; Sunday School, \$25; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$17. Total, \$151.89.

Diocesan — Diocesan Missions, \$7

Total amount of Offerings, \$158.89

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,500.

Condition of property, good.

Indebtedness.—On Church lot, \$1,120.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$75.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; number free, all.

## ST. JAMES' MISSION, HOGANSBURGH.

Rector. The Rev. Joshua N. T. Goss.

Warden. Alfred Fulton.

Clerk and Treasurer. Gurdon S. Mills.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adult, 1, Infant, Indian, 1) 2; Marriage, 1; Burial, 1; Communicants, last reported, 29, removed, 5, present number recorded, 24; Public Services (Sundays, once every Lord's Day, Holy Days, occasionally; Holy Communion (public, second Sunday in the month, Advent and Lent every morning service); Sunday School, teachers, 2, pupils, 12, Catechizing, number of children, whole school; number of times, every morning service.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$252.98; Sunday School, \$6.39; Other Parochial Objects, Christmas gift to Rector, \$9. Total, \$268.37.

Diocesan -- Diocesan Missions, \$32.65; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$6.25; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$3. Total, \$47.90.

Total amount of Offerings, \$316.27.

*Property.*

Church and Lot, Parsonage and Lot, other property, same as last report.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$250.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, same as last report.

*Remarks.*

Services are no longer held at Helena, as several families have removed, and those that remain attend St. James' Church, Hogansburgh.

**CHURCH OF ST. JOHN IN THE WILDERNESS, BRIGHTON.**

Rector The Rev. Arthur H. Locke.

Warden. Dr. E. L. Trudeau.

*Parochial.*

Families, 10; Individuals (Adults, 30, Children, 18); Baptisms (Infants, 1); Marriages, 1; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 10, present number recorded, 10, actually communicating, 6; Public Services (Sundays, 40, other days, 18); Holy Communion (Public, 8); Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 30.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$103; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$780; Sunday School, \$25; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$35.87. Total, \$943.87.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$7; Salary of the Bishop, \$4; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$20. Total, \$31.

Total amount of Offerings, \$974.87.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,585. Condition of property, excellent. Number of Sitzings in the Church, 124; all free.

*Remarks.*

This report dates from the fifteenth of February only, when the present Missionary assumed the charge. The list of persons in the Parish is the same as it was found at that time. The Sunday School here reported is and has not been distinctively a Church School, and the offering was made by a visiting layman through the Missionary. St. John's has also contributed \$100 toward the erection of a Chapel at Bloomingdale.

A Mission organized by the Methodist Society and lately abandoned by them has been taken by the Missionary, and weekly services are held there on Wednesdays. It is three miles away and will ultimately be identified with the Church.

**CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, THE BELOVED PHYSICIAN, SARANAC LAKE.**

Rector. The Rev. Arthur H. Locke.

Warden. Dr. E. L. Trudeau.

*Parochial.*

Families, 20; Individuals (Adults, 75, Children, 50); Baptisms (Adults, 8, Infants, 10); Confirmed, 16; Marriages, 1; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 14, admitted, 16, present number recorded, 30, actually communicating, 20; Public Services (Sundays, 45, Holy Days, 4, other days, 10); Holy Communion, public, 8; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 50.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$24; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$250; Sunday School, \$33 10; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$173; Other Parochial Objects, \$54.10. Total, \$534.20.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$16.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$2.

Total amount of Offerings, \$552.20.

*Parochial Reports.**Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,100. Other Property, \$1,000. Condition of Property, excellent.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; all free.

*Remarks.*

This report dates from February 15 when the present Missionary assumed charge.

The new property deeded to the Board of Missions consists of a library building, lot and books, erected by the effort of Dr. E. L. Trudeau.

## (ESSEX COUNTY)

The Mission of the Good Shepherd at Bloomingdale has. Families, 8. Adults, 30, Children, 35. Sunday School, 30, Teachers, 4. Communicants, 8. Admitted, 2. Received, 2. Offerings, \$65.

A new chapel will be erected here in the spring. The lot has been given and \$1,000 is already collected.

**Fulton County.****ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, JOHNSTOWN**

Rector. The Rev. Charles C. Edmunds.

Wardens E. W. Prindle and A. S. Van Voast.

Vestrymen. John M. Carroll, James M. Dudley, Wm. J. Pyne, Charles Prindle, Jonathan Ricketts, Thomas Ricketts, Isaiah Yanney, James I. Younglove.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 11), 12; Confirmed, 5, Marriages, 8, Burials, 7; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 145, present number recorded, 155, actually communicating, 155. No communicants counted but those actually communicating. There is a large number of persons confirmed in past years, who do not come to Holy Communion. Public Services (Sundays, 84, Holy Days, 25, other days, 15), Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 9); Sunday School, teachers, 18, pupils, 108.

*Offerings.*

Parochial — Alms at Holy Communion, \$50.52; Sunday School, collected in Sunday School, \$22.94; Contributed by congregation and private offerings, \$48.19. Total, \$121.65.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$110; Salary of the Bishop, \$40; Diocesan Fund, \$27.50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$6.80, Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$15.03, The Child's Hospital, \$5; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$5.87; other offerings for Objects within the Diocese, Mission at Gloversville, etc., \$15; Expenses in behalf of Mission at Gloversville, etc., \$10.81. Total, \$235.51.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$5; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, Nashotah, \$23; St. Mark's School, Salt Lake City, Utah, \$15; In contributions to Church building, \$10, For a sacred purpose, \$3.20. Total, \$56.20. From Alms at Holy Communion, given to other of above objects, deduct \$25.31.

**Total amount of Offerings, \$388.05.**

*Remarks.*

In reference to the Mission stations of Northampton, Gloversville, Fonda, Canajoharie and Fort Plain, which have been placed under my general supervision, and are served by the Rev. Robert H. Neide, and the Rev. Charles C. Edmunds, Jr., I have to report a good deal of encouragement.

At Northampton, where services are held every Wednesday evening, the people have taken hold of the revived work with a great deal of interest. It is well that the propositions to sell the Church property there, in the past, have not been heeded.

At Gloversville, notwithstanding all former drawbacks, there has been a great renewal of interest, and a good work is going on. Services are now held both morning and evening on Sunday, and one night in the week. There is also a small Sunday School, and a bible class under instruction. This station has prospered beyond my expectations. There should soon be some effort made to erect a Church building here, and the people ought to be encouraged by outside help.

Fonda, I believe, is doing well. It has service every Sunday morning; Canajoharie and Fort Plain, have service every Sunday. These two stations should have the entire services of a Clergyman between them. There will be little or no growth in these places, until they do have a Missionary wholly to themselves, and residing in one town or the other. At Fort Plain they will be obliged to remove their Church building (now on the grounds of the Universalist Seminary), and to do so, will probably have to pull it down and rebuild. In this they will need, and should have help from elsewhere. The Deacons Neide and Edmunds are working hard, and, as appears, effectively. They will report in detail.

I have visited all of the stations, and with the exception of Northampton, have administered Holy Communion from time to time.

**CHRIST CHURCH, GLOVERSVILLE.**

Ministers in charge. Rev. Charles C. Edmunds, Jr., Rev. Robert H. Neide.

Warden. E. P. Newtown.

Clerk. Allan N. Ross.

Treasurer. Henry Ross.

*Parochial.*

Families, 45; Individuals (Adults, 103, Children, 25), 128; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 1), 3; Marriages, 3; Burials, 1; Public Services (Sundays, 29, Holy Days, 2, other days, 4); Holy Communion (public, 1); Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 30.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$0.50; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$256.47; Sunday School, \$3.19; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$122.30; Other Parochial objects, Ladies' Building Fund, \$182.11; Christmas Festival, \$10.98. Total, \$575.50.

Diocesan.—Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.

Total amount of Offerings, \$577.55.

*Property.*

Church furniture, \$150.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$400. per annum.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 125; all free.

*Remarks.*

This report embraces a period of six months only, during which Mission work has been conducted in this field. It is only fair to say that nearly half of the total amount of offerings reported is due to the energetic and zealous efforts of the Ladies' Aid Society. It is impossible to give an accurate report of the number of Communicants, but at the one celebration held here to date there were ten who received.

## CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, NORTHAMPTON.

The Missionaries are happy in being able to report that this old Parish shows signs of new life after a sleep of seven years. They began work here October 1st and have so far held 12 services, all on week-day evenings, with an encouraging attendance. There are about 12 Communicants who may be considered as belonging here. Money has been raised to repair the old Church, and the traveling expenses of the Missionaries have been paid. The estimated worth of the Church and lot is \$1,000, in fair condition.

## Greene County.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CATSKILL.

Rector. The Rev. Robert Weeks.

Wardens. Charles S. Willard, Charles B. Pinckney.

Vestrymen. Charles Trowbridge, Manly B. Mattice, William L. Du Bois, Theodore A. Cole, Charles E. Willard, George W. Halcott, Oliver Bourke, John H. Bagley, Jr.

*Parochial.*

Families, 205; Individuals (Adults, 453, Children, 192), 645; Baptisms, 33 = Confirmed, 19; Marriages, 8; Burials, 21; Communicants, last reported, 247 = admitted, 18, received, 3, died, 6, removed, 1, present number recorded, 261 = Public Services, 369; Holy Communion (public, 63, private, 6), 69; Sunday School teachers and officers, 21, pupils, 160; Catechizing, number of children, 160 = number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$631.88; Current Expenses, including Salaries, by Pew Rents, \$1,201.11; Sunday School, for the Christmas tree, \$100.28; Offerings at Early Celebration, \$56; Parish Aid Society, \$14.80; from Alms, \$29.67; Easter Offertory for Parish purposes, \$157.86; Sunday School Library, \$23.58. Total, \$2,215.18.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$91.32; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$52; Sunday School for the Child's Hospital, \$5. Total, \$158.32.

General.—Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$69.51; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, for the Jews, \$8.83; Children for St. Mark's School, Salt Lake City, \$55.24. Total, \$133.58.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,507.08.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$8,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,500; Other Property, Lot for new Church, \$1,500.

Indebtedness.—\$1,500.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

— " — " sittings in the Church, 875; rented.

*Remarks.*

Services have been held at Tannersville through the summer by visiting Clergymen. The Baptisms there have been seven, which are recorded in St. Luke's Parish Register.

**CHRIST CHURCH, COXSACKIE.**

Rector. The Rev. Newton Dexter.

Wardens. Nicholas Clute, M. D., Newton A. Calkins, Esq.

Vestrymen. A. B. Houghtaling, William Farmer, Leonard Hubbell, Alexander Cuming, Herman Narlbach, A. W. Van Slyke, M. D., Silas Miller, Wm. Decker.

*Parochial.*

Families, 33; Individuals (Adults, 69, Children, 24); Baptisms (Infants, 5); Confirmed, 3; Burials, 3; Communicants, last reported, 29, admitted, 1, died, 1, present number recorded, 32, actually communicating, 24; Public Services, Sundays, twice a Sunday; Holy Days, all Holy Days; Holy Communion, public, once a month. During Lent, Morning Prayer, Wednesdays and Fridays; Evening Prayer, Wednesdays and Fridays, with a sermon on Friday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$12; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$914.41. Total, \$926.41.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$25; Salary of the Bishop, \$12. Total, \$37.

Total amount of Offerings, \$963.41.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$8,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$700.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; all free.

*Remarks.*

The report says 33 families, while actually only 25 families are represented. And 69 individuals, while only 44 attend services regularly. Some of the number who do not attend are prevented by old age, bodily infirmities, etc.

**TRINITY CHURCH, ATHENS.**

Rector. The Rev. James Wilkins Stewart.

Wardens. Samuel H. Nichols, Nathan Clark.

Vestrymen. George S. Nichols, Wm. Van Loan, E. D. Nichols, Frank Beardsley, H. O. Nichols, Henry C. Fuller, Henry Van Loan, Richard Low.

*Parochial.*

Families, 62; Individuals (Adults, 180, Children, 56), 236; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 6); Confirmed, 2; Marriages, 4; Burials, 7; Communicants, last reported, 88, admitted, 2, died, 2, removed, 8, present number recorded, 80; Public Services (Sundays, 102, Holy Days, 26, other days, 53), 181; Holy Communion (public, 16, private, 1), 17; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 48; Catechists, 1; children, 35; number of times, 49.



*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$19.15, Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$913.50; Sunday School, \$35.38. Total, \$908.03.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions \$18.81; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Diocesan Fund, \$17.50; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$3; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5.51, Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$2; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, children's Easter offering, \$7.16; the Child's Hospital, \$7.16. Total, \$79.14.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,047.17.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000; Other Property, \$5,000. Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 350; all free.

*Remarks.*

Since our last report this Parish has sustained a serious loss in the death of its late senior Warden, Nathan Clark, who, for sixty years, had been a member of the Vestry and for forty years had filled the office of Warden. Throughout this long period Mr. Clark was a liberal contributor to the support of the Parish and the various charities of the Church. The strength of the Parish has been seriously impaired also during the past year, both numerically and financially, by other deaths and by removals.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, OAK HILL.**

Missionary in charge. The Rev. Hobart C. Brayton.

Wardens. John H. Cheritree, James Terbush.

Vestrymen. Walter S. Cheritree, Henry O. Graham, James Gallatian, N. C. Whitcomb, Dr. Frank Baldwin, Samuel Mallory, James Rider, Wm. F. De Witt.

*Parochial.*

Families and parts of families, 20; Individuals (Adults, 42, Children, 18), 60; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 81, received, 2, died, 1, present number recorded, 82; Public Services (Sundays, 51, Holy Days, 3, other days, 7), 61; Holy Communion, public, 7; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 25; Catechizing, number of children, 25; number of times, 6.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$7.47; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$287.24; Improvement of Church Property, \$22.79. Total, \$317.50.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$10; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; General Expenses of Diocese, \$5.87. Total, \$21.87.

Total amount of Offerings, \$339.37.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,500; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,500. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, Rent of Parsonage \$100; and "subscription," \$135. Total \$235.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150; all free.

CHRIST CHURCH, GREENEVILLE.

Missionary in charge. The Rev. Hobart C. Brayton.

Wardens. Egbert N. Palmer, Theodore L. Prevost.

Vestrymen. Byron Waldron, Thomas J. Rundle, James Ponsonby, George W. Robbins, Winfield S. Rundle, Samuel George, Elijah Roe.

*Parochial.*

Families and parts of Families, 18; Individuals (Adults, 40, Children, 9), 49; Marriages, 1; Communicants, last reported, 32, present number recorded, 32, actually communicating, 27; Public Services (Sundays, 48, Holy Days, 3), 51; Holy Communion, public, 6.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$7.68; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$214. Total, \$221.68.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$9.36; Salary of the Bishop, \$12. Total, \$21.36. Total amount of Offerings, \$243.04.

*Property.*

Church (stone) and Lot (estimated worth). \$6,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,000; Other Property, Font and Organ, \$500. Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; all free.

*Remarks.*

A Sunday School is begun. There are very few children of the Church; and these live out of the village. Not any Sunday School statistics at present.

CALVARY CHURCH, CAIRO.

Rector. The Rev. William Charles Grubbe.

Wardens. Henry E. Hotchkiss, Lucius Byington.

Vestrymen. George Wickes, John L. Van Hoesen, Selden H. Hine, George H. Noble, M. D., Levi K. Byington, John C. Lennon, Alfred Bennett.

*Parochial.*

Families, 27; Individuals (Adults, 94, Children, 17), 111; Baptisms, Infants, 6; Marriages, 1; Burials, 5; Communicants, last reported, 60, died, 2, removed, 3, present number recorded, 55, actually communicating, 51; Public Services (Sundays, 49, Holy Days, 7, other days, 27), 83; Holy Communion (public, 52, private, 1), 53; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 15.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$288.70; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$67.88; Other Parochial Objects, Christmas gift to the Rector, \$22. Total, \$378.58.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$21.30; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$5; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2; Bishop's House, \$5. Total, \$39.30.

General.—Church Mission to the Jews, \$1.65.

Total amount of Offerings, \$419.53.

*Remarks.*

By resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Greene county the Superintendent of the Poor was instructed to procure the services of a clergyman for religious services at the County House. At his request I have accepted the appointment to date from December 19, 1880.

## GLORIA DEI MISSION, PALENVILLE.

Priest in charge. The Rev. William Charles Grubbe.

Warden. Charles H. Chubb, M. D.

*Parochial.*

Families, 6; Individuals (Adults, 14, Children, 8), 22; Baptisms, Adults, 1; Communicants, last reported, 12, died, 1, removed, 2, present number recorded, 9, actually communicating, 9; Public Services (Sundays, 48, Holy Days, 1), 49; Holy Communion, public, 11; Sunday School, teachers, 1, pupils, 9.

*Offerings.*

Parochial — Current Expenses, including salaries, \$204.68; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,415.30. Total, \$1,619.98.

Diocesan. — Diocesan Missions, \$8.73; Diocesan Fund, \$3.75. Total, \$12.48.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,632.44.

*Remarks.*

My thanks are due to visiting Clergy, especially to the Rev. Mr. Sill of St. Chrysostom's, N. Y., for assistance in the services during the summer.

In the death of Mr. Maurice, of New York, the Mission has lost a friend and ready helper.. We shall greatly miss him in our work here.

**Hamilton County.****REPORT OF WILLIAM W. DURANT, WARDEN OF THE MISSION OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, RAQUETTE LAKE.**

The Church will accommodate nearly 150 persons. The Bishop consecrated it on Sunday, September 12, 1880. Three or four regular services have been held. The offerings have been devoted to the Mission. Next summer services will be held regularly (D. V.) each Sunday and Feast Day. The cost of Church was something over \$2,500; the interest manifested in the work by the guides and the summer visitors is very gratifying.

**Herkimer County.****CHRIST CHURCH, HERKIMER.**

Rector. The Rev Wm Bogert Walker.

Lay Reader. J. D. Henderson.

Wardens. George W. Pine, Robert Earl.

Vestrymen. Samuel Earl, C. W. Palmer, J. D. Henderson, E. A. Brown, Geo. H. Kelsey, H. G. Munger, H. P. Witherstone, C. E. Bull.

*Parochial.*

Families, 126; Individuals (Adults, 329, Children, 198), 527; Baptisms (Adults, 16, Infants, 28), 44; Confirmed, 28; Marriages, 11; Burials, 4; Communicants, last reported, 128, admitted, 18, received, 3, removed, 4, present number recorded, 145, actually communicating, 138; Public Services (Sundays, 131, Holy Days, 69, other days, 81), 281; Holy Communion (public, 71, private, 11), 82; Sunday School teachers, 11, pupils, 134; Catechizing, number of children, 120, number of times, 40.

*Offerings.*

Parochial,—Alms at Holy Communion, Rector's salary, \$880.75; Current Expenses, including salaries, \$192.08; Sunday School, \$56.36; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$234 40; Other Parochial Objects, Gift to Rector, \$130; Parish Society, \$304.48. Total, \$1,798.07.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$48.78; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$12; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.75; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$4.61; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$1.28; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$11.17; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$2.50. Total, \$95.09.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$4.10; Foreign Missions, \$2; Indian Missions, \$1.25; Mission to Jews, \$1.40. Total, \$8.75.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,901.91.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,500; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,000; Other Property, \$1,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$900, an annual gift, and Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; all free.

*Remarks.*

The Rectory has been greatly improved by the Vestry, and the Church re-cushioned and otherwise improved by the Parish Society.

Services are held in Valley Hall, Mohawk, every Sunday afternoon and cottage services on Tuesday evenings.

Statistics.—Families, 46; Individuals (Adults, 127, Children, 60), 187; \*Confirmed, 17; \*Communicants, 42; Services, 115; Sunday School, teachers, 9; Children, 67, Bible Class, 15.

Offerings.—Current Expenses, \$87.91; Sunday School, \$39.13; Gift to Rector, \$131.75.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, LITTLE FALLS.

Rector. The Rev. A. J. Arnold.

Wardens. William T. Wheeler, Rodney S. Whitman.

Vestrymen. G. A. Hardin, W. H. Weeks, E. B. Waite, J. W. Magill, A. G. Story, Wm. Beattie, A. M. Mills, James Feeter.

*Parochial.*

Families, 98; Baptisms (Adults, 7, Infants, 15), 22; Confirmed, 12; Marriages, 4; Burials, 9; Communicants, last reported, 158, present number recorded, 180, actually communicating, 120; Public Services, Sundays, twice; Holy Communion, public, Monthly and High Festivals; Sunday School, teachers, 11, pupils, 105.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$32 19; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,500; Sunday School, \$53; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$60; Other Parochial Objects, \$27.80; Raising of Debt, \$650 Total, \$2,323 99.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$25 15, Salary of the Bishop, \$34 69, Diocesan Fund, \$6.51; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$13.25. Total, \$69.60.

**General.**—Mexican Church, \$11.01; Ireland, \$15. Total, \$26 01.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,418.60.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$20,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$6,000. Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sittings in the Church, 450; part rented, part free.

## ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH, ILION.

**Rector.** The Rev Edwin Ruthven Armstrong.

**Wardens.** F. C. Shepard, R. L. Winegar.

**Vestrymen.** A. S. Anable, F. Armstrong, T. J. Belan, A. Haslehurst, W. K. Jenne, J. L. Osgood, G. Rix, A. Williamson.

*Parochial.*

Families, 101, Individuals (Adults, 206, Children, 133), 339, Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 20), 22, Confirmed, 8, Marriages, 7, Burials, 3; Churchings, 3, Communicants, last reported, 94, admitted, 8, received, 6, died, 4, removed, 9, present number recorded, 95, actually communicating, 85; Public Services, Sundays, 104. The Daily Offices have been said since June 2d, with *Celebrations* on Holy days as well; Holy Communion (public, 45, private, 1), 46; Sunday School, teachers, 14, pupils, 139; Catechizing, number of children, average about 90, number of times, weekly.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$375.66; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,921 10, through alms, \$1,041.31; Sunday School, \$75.08; Increase and Improvement of Church Property (carpet and chimney), about \$100 (included in above "Current Expenses"); Other Parochial Objects, thank Offerings at Churchings, \$2; Christmas Tree, about \$40. Total, \$2,413.84.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$23 13 (\$17.40 included in "Alms at Holy Communion"); Salary of the Bishop, \$10, Diocesan Fund, \$10 (included in above "Current Expenses"); the Child's Hospital, \$2.61 from Sunday School (included in above); Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$4.70.

**General.**—General Theological Seminary, \$7 24; Domestic Missions, Foreign Missions, \$5.03 (included in Alms at Holy Communion).

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,431 50.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,000; Other Property (organ), \$700. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness.—\$5,075.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$400

Number of Sittings in the Church, 145; all free.

*Remarks.*

The ladies of the congregation have, through their sustained interest and zeal, procured a new carpet for the Church, which, with an oak litany-desk, hangings for altar and stalls, and a pair of vases for altar, was made an Easter offering.

There have also been solemnly offered and intrusted to the Board of Missions for use in this Parish, a jeweled silver paten and chalice—the silver for which and the means for manufacturing were offered as memorials of deceased relatives of members of the congregation.

The burden of debt still harasses those interested in the work of the Church here, but as it will be seen above an effort toward its removal is being persistently urged. Progress in this matter is necessarily slow, as the Church edifice, which is poorly constructed, requires constant outlay to render it habitable.

TRINITY CHURCH, FAIRFIELD.

Rector. The Rev. B. R. Kirkbride.

Wardens. Jairus Mather, Reuben Neeley.

*Parochial.*

Families, 17; Individuals (Adults, 50, Children, 17); Communicants, last reported, 19, present number recorded, 19, actually communicating, 17; Public Services (Sundays, 7, Holy Days, 1); Holy Communion, public, 1; Sunday School, teachers, 2, pupils, 15; Catechizing, number of children, 15, number of times, 7.

*Offerings.*

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$5.76.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,500; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,200. Condition of Property, very good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$100.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175; all free.

*Remarks.*

This report covers period from November 13th only, when present Rector took charge of the work.

MEMORIAL CHURCH, MIDDLEVILLE.

Rector. The Rev. B. R. Kirkbride.

*Parochial.*

Families, 81; Individuals (Adults, 26, Children, 30); Marriages, 2; Communicants, last reported, 9, received, 2, present number recorded, 9, actually communicating, 11; Public Services (Sundays, 16, Holy Days, 2, other days, 2); Holy Communion, public, 2; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 30; Catechizing, number of children, 30, number of times, 8.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$1.75.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$7.24.

Total amount of Offerings, \$8.99.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$12,000. Condition of Property, excellent.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 320 ; all free.

*Remarks.*

The present Rector assumed charge of Trinity Church, Fairfield, and Memorial Church, Middleville, on November 13, 1880, and he feels much encouraged by the evidences he has seen of this place in time becoming a stronghold of the Church. This report covers the period since November 13th only.

**Montgomery County.****ST. ANN'S CHURCH, AMSTERDAM.**

Rector. The Rev. Wm. Norman Irish.

Wardens. W. Max Reid, John J. Hand

Vestrymen. Cyrus B. Chase, John K. Warrick, James T. Sugden, Le Grand S. Strang, Wm. Ryland, J. Melville Thomas, E. H. Finlayson, Hicks B. Waldron.

*Parochial.*

Families, 131 ; Individuals (Adults, 280, Children, 150), 430 ; Baptisms (Adults, 8, Infants, 17), 20 ; Confirmed, 16 ; Marriages, 11 ; Burials, 11 ; Communicants, last reported, 158, admitted, 12, received, 7, died, 2, removed, 13, present number recorded, 162, actually communicating, 156 ; Public Services (Sundays, 96, Holy Days, 14, other days, 23) ; Holy Communion (public, 29, private, 2) ; Sunday School, teachers, 18, pupils, 120 ; Catechizing, number of children, 80, number of times, weekly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$50.17 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,273.83 ; Sunday School, \$44 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$382.27. Total, \$1,750.27.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$9.87 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$9.19 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$11.82. Total, \$30.88.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,780.65.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$20,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,500.

**ZION CHURCH, OF THE VILLAGE OF FONDA.**

Missionaries. The Rev Charles C. Edmunds, Jr., and the Rev. Robert H. Neide.

Wardens. R. H. Cushney, Henry T. E. Brower.

Vestrymen. Samuel Cross, Henry B. Cushney, Giles H. F. Van Horne, Edward B. Cushney, William Fonda, Hiram L. Washburn, G. Reynolds Casler, Richard N. Casler.

*Parochial.*

Families, 27 ; Individuals (Adults, 76, Children, 14), 90 ; Baptisms, Infants, 2 ; Marriages, 2 ; Burials, 2 ; Communicants, last reported, 40, admitted, 1, received, 1, died, 1, removed, 1, present number recorded, 40, actually communicating, 35 ; Public Services (Sundays, 51, Holy Days, 2, other days, 1) ; Holy Communion, 7 ; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 46.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$18.38; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$367.26; Sunday School, \$7.19. Total, \$392.83.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$40; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$7.50; the Child's Hospital, \$5. Total, \$64.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$457.33.

*Property.*

. Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$8,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150; all free.

*Remarks.*

The present Missionaries have been in charge only since July 1, 1880. Previously to that date the Rev. Mr. Hall was in charge. For the statistics the Missionaries must acknowledge their indebtedness to the Senior Warden.

The Church of the Good Shepherd, at Canajoharie, and the Church of the Holy Cross, Fort Plain, are also under the charge of the same Missionaries, the Rev. Mr. Hall having preceded them at these stations also. At Canajoharie they have held 37 services on Sundays during the past year. The contributions were: for Current Expenses, \$224; for Bishop's Salary, \$6. There are 18 Communicants recorded, 17 being actual; the Holy Communion has been celebrated 5 times. At Fort Plain, 37 Sunday services have been held; Holy Communion celebrated 4 times; 3 Infants have been baptized, and the offerings for all objects have been in the neighborhood of \$150. There are 11 Communicants recorded, 10 actual.

**Otsego County.**

**ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, UNADILLA.**

Rector. The Rev. Daniel E. Loveridge.

Wardens. E. M. Packard, Lloyd S. Woodruff.

Vestrymen. D. P. Loomis, F. B. Arnold, Geo. B. Fellows, A. J. Lewis, W. H. Hislop, O. Ireland, L. S. Watkins, Frank Hanford.

*Parochial.*

Families, 71; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 5); Marriages, 2; Burials, 5; Communicants, last reported, 123, admitted, 3, received, 4, died, 1, removed, 1, present number recorded, 128, actually communicating, 84; Public Services (Sundays, 100, Holy Days, 10, other days, 45; Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 3); Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 48; Catechizing, number of children, 45, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,043.25; Sunday School, \$65.35; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$20.40. Total, \$1,129.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$54.65; Diocesan Fund, \$10; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10.15; the Child's Hospital, \$1. Total, \$75.80.

General.— Domestic Missions, \$11; Old Moine Church, Maryland, \$11; A Church in Missouri, \$1. Total, \$23.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,227.80.



*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,500; Parsonage and Lot, \$4,500; Other Property, \$300. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 850; all free.

## CHRIST CHURCH, COOPERSTOWN.

Rector. The Rev. W. W. Lord, D. D.

Wardens Hezekiah Sturges, W. F. Bassett.

Vestrymen Edward Clark, A. A. Jarvis, H. M. Hooker, D. A. Avery, John Worthington, Fred. L. Palmer, G. Pomeroy Keese.

*Parochial.*

Families, 120, Individuals (Adults, estimated, 280, Children, estimated, 180, including Orphans); Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 26), Marriages, 5; Burials, 10; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 198, admitted, 2, received, 2, died 3, removed, 4, present number recorded, 195.

*Offerings.*

Parochial — Alms at Holy Communion, \$141.53; Current Expenses, including Salaries (choir), \$400; Sunday School, \$150; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$3,500; Other Parochial Objects, Church Debt, \$800; Charity Box, \$76; Parish work, estimated, \$225. Total, \$5,292.53.

Diocesan. — Diocesan Missions, \$180.67; Salary of the Bishop, \$60; Diocesan Fund, \$30; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$8.04; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$52; Convocation, \$5. Total, \$288.21.

General. — Foreign Missions, \$42.70; Bishop Tuttle's School, \$40. Total, \$82.70.

Total amount of Offerings, \$5,663.44.

## CHRIST CHURCH, BUTTERNUTS.

Rector. The Rev. Ernest A. Hartman.

Wardens. J. Russell Blackman, Ira L. Ward.

Vestrymen. Dr. H. H. Wickes, John Mayne, W. R. Kinzie, W. F. Ward, C. V. Daniels, J. R. Woodland, R. G. McCulloch, E. R. Clinton.

*Parochial.*

Families, 48; Individuals (Adults, 106, Children, 42), 148; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 2), 3; Marriages, 4; Burials, 5; Communicants, last reported, 69, received, 10, died, 3, removed, 2, present number recorded, 74, actually communicating, 63; Public Services (Sundays, 58, Holy Days, 7, other days, 18), 83; Holy Communion (public, 21, private, 1), 22; Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 45; Catechizing, number of children, 40, number of times, weekly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial. — Alms at Holy Communion, \$30.19; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$581.86; Sunday School, \$20.15; Other Parochial Objects, Reading-Room of Young Men's Guild, \$240.45. Total, \$872.15.

Diocesan. — Diocesan Missions, \$10; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$4. Total, \$20.

General. — Foreign Missions, \$10.

Offerings, \$902.15.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,500. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$450.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; all free.

IMMANUEL CHURCH, OTEGO.

Rector. The Rev. J. W. McIlwaine.

Wardens. Charles Blake, Eugene L. Phillips.

Vestrymen. W. H. Parker, Geo. Goodman, Dr. J. H. Martin, Geo. Sherman, Jr., Wm. Wright, F. E. Shepherd, R. J. Cutler, W. Gilbert.

*Parochial.*

Families, 25; Individuals (Adults, 50, Children, 14), 64; Burials, 1; Communicants, present number recorded, 25, actually communicating, 20.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$18.06, since June 1; Current Expenses including Salaries, \$75. Total, \$93.06.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$5; Salary of the Bishop, \$12. Total, \$17.

Total amount of Offerings, \$110.06.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000. Condition of Property, excellent.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175; all free.

*Remarks.*

Divine service is celebrated every Sunday evening, except on the second Sunday in the month, when morning service is held and the Holy Communion administered.

This Parish though small is united, and has in it the elements that will insure permanence. The ladies are most of them organized into a "Parochial Aid Society," which proves itself of great value and efficiency in creating and sustaining a steady interest in the temporal and spiritual welfare of the Parish.

ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, WESTFORD.

Missionary. The Rev. T. A. Snyder.

Warden. Andrew Snyder.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 19, Infants, 8), 27; Confirmed, 5; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 6, admitted, 6, received, 4, present number recorded, 16 actually communicating, 16; Public Services (Sundays, 40, Holy Days, 10, other days, 12); Holy Communion (public, 13, private, 2).

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$6.19; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$30; Increase and improvement of Church ~~Property~~ ~~and~~ ~~Real~~ ~~Estate~~ ~~Total~~ \$71.57.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$2.18; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$1.88. Total, \$3.56.

Total amount of Offerings, \$75.18.

*Property.*

Condition of Property, very much improved.

*Remarks.*

In addition to the amount paid out for repairs, there has been considerable work given, the estimated value of which is \$50.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, PORTLANDVILLE.**

Rector. The Rev. T. A. Snyder.

Wardens. George A. Somers, Robert M. Townsend.

Vestrymen. Osborn Packer, Hiram C. Oline, Joseph M. Lowe, Merritt S. Squires, Jesse Mumford.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 1), 2; Burials, 1; Communicants, last reported, 31, died, 1, removed 2, present number recorded, 29, actually communicating, 22; Public Services (Sundays, 39, Holy Days, 3); Holy Communion (public, 11, private, 3).

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$5.51; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$64.94. Total, \$70.45.

Diocesan — Diocesan Missions, \$9.03; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$1; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$1.50. Total, \$17.53.

Total amount of Offerings, \$87.98.

*Property.*

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175; all free.

**GRACE CHURCH, CHERRY VALLEY.**

Rector. The Rev. Reeve Hobbie.

Wardens. Henry Roseboom, Joseph Phelon.

Vestrymen. Charles McLean, A. B. Cox, Almon Brown, A. L. Swan, George Neal, George Merritt, M. D., W. S. Gibbons, James Phelon.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 6), 7; Confirmed, 3; Marriages, 2; Burials, 10; Communicants, a new list of communicants actually communicating, 94; Public Services (Sundays, twice; Holy Days, 7; other days, twice weekly in Lent); Holy Communion (public, 24, private, 8); Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 75.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$109.15; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$984.69; Sunday School, \$44.30; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$9.12; Other Parochial objects, Choir, \$4.91, Insurance, \$75. Total, \$1143.17.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$46.51; Salary of the Bishop, \$25; Diocesan Fund, \$20; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$3.74; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$30.37; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, Convocation of Susquehannah, \$5.56. Total, \$131.18.

General.—Indian Missions, \$11; Church of Jesus in Mexico, \$10; Relief of Irish sufferers, \$18.70. Total, \$39.70.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,378.05.

*Property.*

Church and Lot Insured for \$5,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary paid Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 273; number free, all.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EAST SPRINGFIELD.

Rector. The Rev. Reeve Hobbie.

Wardens. James H. Cooke, Henry H. Davy.

Vestrymen. John Scollard, Sheldon A. Young, Albert Keene, Robert Walrath, Daniel Gilchrist.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Infants, 4); Burials, 1; Communicants, present number recorded, 19; actually communicating, 19; Public Services (Sundays, once a day, other days, 4); Holy Communion (public, monthly, private, 1); Sunday School, teachers, 2, pupils, 10.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including salaries, \$210; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$20. Total, \$230.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$5. Total, \$11.

Total amount of Offerings, \$241.

*Property.*

Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 220; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

We had a Confirmation Class, but the Bishop, on account of illness, deferred his visitation.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, RICHFIELD SPRINGS.

Wardens. N. D. Jewell, M. De V. Martin.

Vestrymen. Wm. B. Crain, Wm. B. Ward, Jas. S. Davenport, Jas. A. Storer, W. A. Smith, Myron D. Jewell, Henry Greenman, J. F. Getman.

*Parochial.*

Families, 39; Individuals (Adults, 95, Children, 49), 144; Baptisms (Adults, 7, Infants, 9), 16; Burials, 4; Communicants, last reported, 70, died, 2, present number recorded, 65, actually communicating, about 40; Public Services (Sundays, 61, Holy Days, and other days, have no record); Holy Communion (public, 12); Sunday School, teachers, 6, pupils, 35; Catechizing, number, whole school; number of times, once a month.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$753, since January last ; Sunday School, \$45 ; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$150. Total, \$948.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$13.50; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Bishop's house taxes and repairing fund, \$6. Total, \$31.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$979.50.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000. Condition of property, excellent.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 400; all free.

*Remarks.*

We have been somewhat broken up here during the past year, our Rector having resigned the 8th September last, and from the data at hand I am unable to make a report any more full.

Since our last report we have finished the handsome new Church then under way, at a cost of \$8,650; it is well adapted to our wants, and has been admired by every one who has seen it.

The Vestry feel largely indebted to the Rev. Chas. C. Fiske (our former Rector), for his faithful work and good taste in its arrangement, etc. There is yet a debt of \$2,200 and interest due, which we hope to liquidate in the course of next summer.

## CHRIST CHURCH, WEST BURLINGTON.

Wardens. Truman Moss, Thomas Hickling.

Vestrymen. Stephen I. Pope, John B. Taylor, Henry W. Gaige, J. Frederick Hickling, Sidney P. Bailey, Solomon Anderson, F. W. Anderson, Jared M. Robinson.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 30; Individuals (Adults, 90, Children, 25), 115; Baptisms, Adults, 2; Communicants, last reported, 28; present number recorded, 28, actually communicating, 24; Public Services (Sundays, 2); Holy Communion, public, 1.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$3.81.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$6.

Total amount of Offerings, \$9.81.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,100; Parsonage and Lot, \$700; Other Property, \$300. Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150 ; number free, 150.

*Remarks.*

The Rev. Hobart Cooke, kindly gave us one service last summer, at which he celebrated the Holy Communion. The Rev. Edward Coan (since taking charge of Zion Church, Morris) has kindly given us one service. These are all the services we have had since our last report. The Parish is in great need of regular services.

**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ONEONTA.**

The Rev. John Brewster Hubbs, Deacon in Charge.

Wardens. John Cope, William Whyte.

Vestrymen. H. G. Wood, D. H. Mead, H. J. Cady, James Gardner, C. S. Stephens, W. H. Hides, Thomas Brooks.

*Parochial.*

Families, 50; Baptisms, Infants, 3; Marriages, 2; Communicants, last reported, 61, received, 10, present number recorded, 71; Public Services (Sundays, 64, Holy Days, 10); Holy Communion, public 2; Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 50.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$2.08; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$246.32; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$100. Total, \$348.40.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$5.30; Salary of the Bishop, \$6. Total, \$11.30. Total amount of Offerings, \$359.70.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$8,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

This report is from the second Sunday after Trinity, 1880, when I assumed charge of the Parish. The future of this Parish is full of promise. The people are contented and in earnest. There is no reason why there should not be a good Parish in Oneonta in time, with a little earnest work.

**Rensselaer County.**

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. Francis Harison.

*Parochial.*

Individuals, estimated (Adults, 500, Children, 300), 800; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 18), 20; Confirmed, 17; Marriages, 13; Burials, 25; Communicants, estimated, present number recorded, 300; Public Services (Sundays, 144, Holy Days, 66, other days 462), 672; Holy Communion, public, 83; Sunday School, teachers, 20, pupils, 244; Parish School, teachers, 5, pupils, 79.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$850; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$10,332.96; Sunday School, \$374.80; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$5,500. Total, \$17,057.76.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$1,235; Salary of the Bishop and house, \$340; Diocesan Fund, \$62.50; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$30; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$21.59; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$21.59; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$250; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$30; Other Offerings, \$550. Total, \$2,540.68.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$297; Foreign Missions, \$40; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$130. Total, \$467.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$20,065.44.

The statistics of St. Paul's Free Chapel are not included in this report.

#### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TROY.

Warden. Norman B. Squires, Chas. W. Tillinghast.

Vestrymen. William A. Thompson, Dudley Tibbits, C. A. McLeod, W. E. Gilbert, William M. Sanford, F. N. Mann, Jr., George A. Wells, W. Stone Smith.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 235; Individuals (Adults, 800, Children, 400); Baptisms (Adults, 11, Infants, 12); Confirmed, 24, Marriages, 6; Burials, 15; Communicants, last reported, 498; present number recorded, 492, Public Services, Sundays, all; Holy Days, all; other days, daily in Lent, all Wednesdays and Fridays; Holy Communion, public, 20; Sunday School, teachers, 30, pupils, 260; Sewing School, teachers, 5, pupils, 40.

#### *Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$400; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$6,868.92; Sunday School, \$502.65; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$4,515, Other Parochial Objects, Guild of Faith, \$75; Parish needs, \$30.64. Total, \$12,392.21

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$197.51; Salary of the Bishop, \$250; Diocesan Fund, \$75; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$21.59; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$21.59; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$59.50; The Child's Hospital, \$5; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$31.18; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese (Epiphany, Bath, \$362.92; Church at East Line, \$118.71; St. Luke's, \$75), \$556.68. Total, \$1,218.

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$77.67; Foreign Missions, \$116.44; Indian Missions, \$230.77; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$25; Church Home, \$422; New Mexico, \$61.20. Total, \$933.08.

Total amount of Offerings, \$14,543.29.

#### *Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$75,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$15,000; Other Property, \$1,500. Condition of Property, very good, and free from debt.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$3,000, and Rectory.

Number of sittings in the Church, 700; Chapel, 250

#### *Remarks.*

The Parish has been without a Rector since June last, although the resignation of the late Rector did not take effect until August 1.

During the summer months the Church was closed and extensive alterations and improvements made. The Church was redecorated throughout, new carpets laid and the chancel tiled. A memorial pulpit of brass has also been placed in the chancel.

#### CHRIST CHURCH, TROY.

Rector. The Rev. Joseph N. Mulford.

Wardens. Liberty Gilbert, William Kemp.

Vestrymen. Jacob Jacobs, Charles Clemenshaw, George B. Smith, Samuel C. Tappin, Robert G. Smith, Peter Black, William H. Lawton.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 11), 15; Confirmed, 24; Marriages, 10; Burials, 21; Communicants, last reported, 309, admitted, 24, received, 8, died, 10, removed, 7, present number recorded, 329; Public Services (Sundays, 94, Holy Days, 4, other days, 72); Holy Communion (public, 12, private, 4); Sunday School, teachers, 21, pupils, 250.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,974.02; Sunday School, \$412.52; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$200; Church Home, \$175; Benevolent objects, \$420.98. Total, \$5,182.52.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$212.35; Salary of the Bishop, \$125; Diocesan Fund, \$25; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$12.87; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$20; The Child's Hospital, \$10; Clergy house, East Line, \$100; Other Objects within the Diocese, \$105. Total, \$610.22.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$25; Foreign Missions, \$25; Indian Missions, \$20. Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$30; Education of Young Men for the Ministry, \$410; Scholarship at St. Mark's Girls' School, Salt Lake City, Utah, \$40. Total, \$550.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$6,342.74.

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. J. Ireland Tucker.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 9, Infants, 16); Confirmed, 24; Marriages, 7; Burials, 12; Communicants, actually communicating, 145; Public Services (all Sundays, two; all Holy Days, one; all other days, one); Holy Communion, public, weekly; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 130; Parish School, teachers, 2, pupils, 70.

**THE FREE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. James Caird.

Trustees. F. W. Farnam, Thomas Cordwell, Uri Gilbert, J. J. Gillespy, N. B. Squires, W. A. Thompson, Rev. James Caird.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 16), 18; Confirmed, 12; Marriages, 3; Burials, 12; Communicants, present number recorded, 201; Public Services (Sundays, 96, Holy Days, 6, other days, 70), 172; Holy Communion, public, 12; Sunday School, teachers, 20, pupils, 250; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms, \$47.75; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,234.26; Sunday School, \$290.15. Total, \$3,672.16.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$136.15; Salary of the Bishop, \$10; The Child's Hospital, \$10; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, Church of Our Saviour, Lebanon Springs, \$35; Church Home, Troy, \$65. Total, \$256.15.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$25; Foreign Missions, \$12; Other Objects anterior to the Diocese, Evangelical Education Society, \$12.

Total Amount of Offerings, \$3,978.31.



**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, TROY.**

Rector. The Rev. R. G. Hamilton (from October 28, 1890).

Wardens. Robert Bainbridge, William Her.

Vestrymen. Joseph W. Fuller, Norman B. Squires, Joseph J. Tillinghast, William A. Thompson, Caleb Bird, James Wood, P. Harry Mitchell, Stephen A. Hopkins.

*Parochial.*

Families, 140; Individuals, estimated, 575; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 8), 9; Confirmed, 8; Marriages, 2; Burials, 10; Communicants, last reported, 188, received, 3, died, 1, present number recorded, 191; Public Services (Sundays, 100, other days, 40), Holy Communion, public, 18; Sunday School, teachers, 16, pupils, 185; Catechizing, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$35; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,136.35; Sunday School, \$85; Parish School, \$138.89. Total, \$1,359.24.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$10; Salary of the Bishop, \$10, Diocesan Fund, \$20, Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$5. Total, \$45.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$6.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,440.24.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$23,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$5,000; Other Property, \$1,500. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000, and Rectory.

*Remarks.*

The Rector would respectfully state, that he assumed the Rectorship of the Parish October 28, 1890; hence the meagerness of the present report.

**TRINITY CHURCH, LANSINGBURGH.**

Rector. The Rev. Charles M. Nickerson.

Wardens. Horace W. Day, James McQuide.

Vestrymen. William R. Barton, Peter B. King, Eugene Hyatt, E. Ketchum Betts, Chas. H. Fisher, Jas. M. Snyder, Chas. S. Holmes, L. H. McMurray.

*Parochial.*

Families, 150; Individuals (Adults, 879, Children, 147); Baptisms, Infants, 10; Confirmed, 10; Marriages, 12; Burials, 14; Communicants, last reported, 170, admitted, 5, received, 6, died, 3, removed, 1, present number recorded, 177, actually communicating, 100; Public Services (Sundays, 100, Holy Days, 26); Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 8); Sunday School, teachers, 23, pupils, 153.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$150; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,462.45; Sunday School, \$124; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$300. Total, \$3,036.45.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$46.81; Salary of the Bishop, \$50; Diocesan Fund, \$30; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2. Total, \$128.81.

Total amount of Offerings, \$3,165.26.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$40,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$7,000; Other Property, \$3,000. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness.—\$4,500.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 400; number rented, 289; number free, 111.

TRINITY CHURCH, SCHAGHTICOKE (HART'S FALLS).

Warden. Charles Albro.

Vestrymen. John Jacob Wetzel, Thomas L. Doremus, Edward Searls, William H. Leyfield.

*Parochial.*

Families, 45; Individuals (Adults, 100, Children, 70); Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 1); Marriages, 3; Burials, 5; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 45, present number recorded, 45, actually communicating, 40; Public Services (Sundays, 89, other days, 15); Holy Communion, public, 15; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 50; Catechizing, number of children, 50.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$537.01; Sunday School, \$70. Total, \$607.01.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$10; Salary of the Bishop, \$5; Diocesan Fund, \$6. Total, \$21.

Total amount of Offerings, \$628.01.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$4,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,000. Condition of Property, very good.

Indebtedness.—Mortgage debt, \$2,700.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

Since October 24, 1880, the Parish has been vacant; efforts are being made to secure a Rector, but up to the present have not been successful.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, GREENBUSH.

Rector. The Rev. Edgar T. Chapman.

Wardens. John L. Van Valkenburgh, Kelly Atwood.

Vestrymen. J. V. B. Teller, John Ruyter, Wm. Ruyter, George Low, John C. Goold, Wm. C. Abrams, George B. Simmons, Peter Shephard.

*Parochial.*

Families, 46; Individuals (Adults, 119, Children, 80); Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 11); Confirmed, 15; Marriages, 6; Burials, 5; Communicants, admitted, 5, removed, 6, present number recorded, 54; Public Services (Sundays, 2, Holy Days, 1, other days, Advent and Lent twice daily); Holy Communion (public, 22, private, 6); Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 80; Catechizing, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$105.70; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,200; Sunday School, \$51.62; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$300 Total, \$1,657.32.

Diocesan.—Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, 3 20; The Child's Hospital, \$3.20 Total, \$6.40.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,663.72.

## THE FREE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, EAST ALBANY.

Rector The Rev. Richard Temple.

Trustees Rev. Richard Temple, Rev. Frank L. Norton, J. H. Van Antwerp Dudley Tibbitts, N. B. Squires, E. P. Mann, John B. Gale.

*Parochial.*

Families and part of families, 82; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 19); Confirmed, 24; Marriages, 3; Burials, 12; Communicants, last reported, 94, admitted, 24, received, 5, removed, 4 present number recorded, 119, Public Services (every Sunday and Holy Day); Holy Communion (public, monthly and Holy Days, private, twice); Sunday School, teachers, 24, pupils, 173.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$45.49; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,339.32. Total, \$1,384.75.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$9; Salary of the Bishop, \$4; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$4; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5. Total, \$22.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,406.75.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000; other Property, \$500.

## SAINT MARK'S CHURCH, HOOSICK FALLS.

Rector. The Rev. George Huntington Nicholas.

Assistant. Rev. John Dolby Skene.

Wardens Walter A. Wood, J. Russell Parsons.

Vestrymen. E. C. Pattison, Dr. S. A. Skinner, W. S. Nicholls, James Sloan, M. D. Greenwood, John G. Darroch, Isaac A. Allen, Camp Keller.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 11), 12; Marriages, 4; Burials, 14, Communicants, last reported, 188, admitted, 4, received, 2, died, 5, removed, 3, present number recorded, 188, actually communicating, 162; Public Services (Sundays, 92, Holy Days, 2, other days, 32); Holy Communion (public, 17, private, 9); Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 110; Catechizing, number of children, 110, number of times, 15.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current expenses, including salaries, \$3,137; Sunday School, \$50; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$4,000; Other Parochial Objects, \$85.75. Total, \$7,272.75.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$220.59; Salary of the Bishop, \$26; Diocesan Fund, \$22; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$5; Fund for

Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$15; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$5; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$10; The Child's Hospital, \$30; Taxes on Bishop's house, \$20. Total, \$376.59.

General.— Domestic Missions, \$10; Foreign Missions, \$10; Indian Missions, \$10; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$10; Education, young men for ministry, \$10. Total, \$50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$7,699.34.

### **St. Lawrence County.**

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, OGDENSBURG, AND MISSION OF LISBON.

Rector. The Rev. J. D. Morrison, D. D., LL. D.

Assistant. The Rev. W. J. W. Finlay.

Wardens. Charles Ashley, Louis Hasbrouck.

Vestrymen. J. G. Averill, H. R. James, Stillman Foote, F. N. Burt, J. C. Sprague, Levi Hasbrouck, E. M. Holbrook, Thomas Laurence.

#### *Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 8, Infants, 27), 35; Confirmed, 25; Marriages, 14; Burials, 25; Communicants, actually communicating, about 400; Holy Communion (public every Sunday and Holy Day, private frequent); Sunday School, teachers, 30, pupils, 250; Industrial School, teachers, 15, pupils, about 150.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, on first Sunday of the month, not including offertories on other days, \$250; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$4,350.79; Sunday School, \$200; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$2,906.35; St. John's Orphanage, Annuity of Rev. Dr. Peters, \$842.28. Total, \$8,549.42.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$522.90; Salary of the Bishop, \$70; Diocesan Fund, \$45; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$20.50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$10; The Child's Hospital, \$30. Total, \$708.40.

General.— Domestic Missions and Foreign Missions, \$65.90.

Total amount of Offerings, \$9,323.72.

#### *Property.*

Church, Chapel, School-rooms and Lot (estimated worth), \$100,000.

#### *Remarks.*

A new Organ has been placed in St. John's Church, and choir seats in the chancel, at a cost under \$6,000. Of this amount about \$1,700 remains unpaid.

On Easter last a very beautiful and costly brass Eagle Lectern was presented to the Church by Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Harriman, of New York. The gift is a memorial of Mrs. Harriman's mother, and bears the inscription: "In Memoriam, Mary Laurence Averill."

During the year services have been held regularly at St. Luke's, Lisbon, by the clergy of St. John's, Ogdensburg. The Mission work at Lisbon is steadily progressing, and the people are making praiseworthy efforts to help themselves. They have given, during the past year, \$112 ~~towards the purchase of a new~~

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WADDINGTON.**

Rector. The Rev. Thomas G. Clemson.

Wardens. Seth J. Dewey, John T. Rutherford.

Vestrymen. Silas J. Bower, M. D., William Keyes, Henry B. Proctor, William Forsythe, James I. Cook

*Parochial.*

Families, 43, Individuals (Adults, 108, Children, 55), 163; Baptisms (Infants, 6); Marriages, 3; Burials, 4; Communicants, last reported, 92, received, 3, died, 4, removed, 11, present number recorded, 75, actually communicating, 60; Public Services (Sundays, 98, Holy Days, 14, other days, 9); Holy Communion (public, 17, private, 1); Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 40; Catechizing, number of children, 30, number of times, 44.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$15.18; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$479, Sunday School, \$6; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$216.44. Total, \$716.62.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$33.13; Salary of the Bishop, \$12; Diocesan Fund, \$8.75, Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$4.54; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$1.81. Total, \$60.23.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$4.47.

Total amount of Offerings, \$781.32.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$5,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$350.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 800, all free.

*Remarks.*

The side galleries have been removed, and it is proposed, during this year, to place new stained glass windows, to replace the old sash, with God's blessing, to entirely repair and repaint this venerable edifice.

Besides the regular services of this Rectorship several have been maintained at Chase's Mills, with good prospect of the Church advancement there. The Rector has had the grief of losing, by death and removal, many valued communicants during this year, and the offerings for Church support have, in consequence, fallen off. A handsome sum, however, is in hand for the contemplated restoration of the Church.

**CHRIST CHURCH, MORRISTOWN.**

Priest in charge. The Rev. J. D. Morrison, D. D., LL. D.

Assistant. The Rev. Wm. J. W. Finlay

Wardens. E. W. White, Henry Hooker.

Vestrymen. John Canfield, E. Kingsland, H. A. Chapman, Wm. Gray, John H. McDougall, John H. Canfield, J. A. Phillips, Frank Chapman.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 6), 7; Confirmed, 13; Marriages, 1; Burials, 5; Communicants, last reported, 58, admitted, 13, removed, 4, present number recorded, 67; Public Services (Sundays, 52, Holy Days, 2, other days, 35); Holy Communion (public, 5, private, 2); Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 45; *ing*, lecture on Church Catechism every Saturday evening.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$25.41 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$362.97 ; Sunday School, \$58.36. Total, \$446.74.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$105.90 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$20 ; Diocesan Fund, \$6.88 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$8.30 ; The Child's Hospital, \$20 ; Bishop's house, \$5. Total, \$166.08.

Total amount of Offerings, \$612.82.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,500 ; Parsonage and Lot, \$1,500. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness.— Debt on Parsonage, \$375.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$275.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300 ; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The Missionary in charge desires to acknowledge his grateful appreciation of the hearty and devoted manner in which the members of this congregation have responded to his appeals for their co-operation.

The Parish is apparently in a healthy condition, and ready to profit by the prosperity which it is hoped will attend the recent railway arrangements, placing it on the line of the Ottawa and New York route.

TRINITY CHURCH, POTSDAM.

Rector. The Rev. H. R. Howard, S. T. D.

Wardens. Milton Heath, T. S. Clarkson, Jr.

Vestrymen. T. Streatfield Clarkson, B. Usher, C. O. Tappan, W. A. Dart, Luke Usher, O. G. Howe, H. D. Thatcher, J. G. McIntyre.

*Parochial.*

Families, about 85 ; Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 12) ; Confirmed, 17 ; Marriages, 5 ; Burials, 9 ; Communicants, last reported, 188 ; admitted, 17, received, 5, died, 4, removed, 22, present number recorded, 184 ; Public Services (Sundays, three every Sunday, Holy Days, all the Holy Days, other days, daily through half of the year, every Wednesday and Friday) ; Holy Communion (public, 40, private, 18), 58 ; Sunday School, teachers, 14, pupils, 125 ; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$84.35 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,530 ; Sunday School, \$60. Total, \$1,674.35.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$296.87 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$19 ; Diocesan Fund \$25 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$11.01 ; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$20 ; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$9.16 ; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$12.34 ; The Child's Hospital, \$22.21 ; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$5.15 ; Bishop's house, \$10.63. Total, \$431.37.

General.— Domestic Missions, \$44.28 ; Foreign Missions, \$829.56 ; Indian Missions, \$120. Total, \$493 84.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,599.56.

*Parochial Reports.**Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$15,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,500. Condition of Property, good.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 350; rented.

*Remarks.*

Among the services recorded above, are those which the Rector has held regularly at the three stations assigned him by the board, West Stockholm, Hanawa Falls, and Colton. These Missions have all been prospered, and the Rector can scarcely submit the present report, without placing on record his gratitude to Almighty God for the signal blessings which have attended this favored Parish during the past year.

## GRACE CHURCH, CANTON.

Rector. The Rev. John T. Pearce.

Wardens. William H. H. Sawyer, Sr., Leslie W. Russell, Jr.

Vestrymen. Richard B. Ellaworth, Samuel C. Kerr, Sheldon Brewer, Charles J. Perkins, Horace D. Ellaworth.

*Parochial.*

Families, 62; Individuals (Adults, 174, Children, 130); Baptisms, Infants, 11; Confirmed, 1; Marriages, 1; Burials, 8; Churchings, 1; Communicants, last reported, 122, admitted, 1, received, 6, died, 2, removed, 5, present number recorded, 122, actually communicating, 106; Public Services (Sundays, 91, Holy Days, 25, other days, 24); Holy Communion, public, 19; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 75; Catechizing, number of children, those present; number of times, several.

*Offerings.*

Parochial — Alms at Holy Communion, \$88.99; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$805.66; Sunday School, \$13.58; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$273.66; Other Parochial Objects, Tuning Organ, \$5; Sunday School Books, \$2; Ladies' Aid Society raised \$239.81. Total, \$1,428.20.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions \$86.76; Salary of the Bishop, \$14; Diocesan Fund, \$17.50; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4; Increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$4.50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$8; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$4 88; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5.90; The Child's Hospital, \$6; Society for the promotion of Religion and Learning, \$4.50; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, Repairs, etc., on Bishop's house, \$23 Total, \$173.54.

General.—Domestic Missions (\$14, Sunday School, \$3.17), \$17.17; Foreign Missions, \$4.24; Children's Aid Society, New York, \$1, private gift, \$5; Nashotah Theological Seminary, \$15.62. Total, \$43.03.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,644.77.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,500. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$700, and Rectory.

Number of sittings in the Church, 208; number rented, 106; number free, 102.

*Remarks.*

Of the Baptisms, three were private ; of the Burials, two were attended by the Rev. Mr. Rich, of Canton.

Last summer the Church was repaired and altered to the expense of \$273.66. The repairs consisted in the renewing of the wall of the interior ; and the alteration in the re-seating of the Church, so as to give a central passage in addition to the aisles.

At the same time a beautiful black walnut altar, with altar accompaniments and a full set of linen was presented to the Church, being an offering of two affectionate and devoted sisters, in loving remembrance of one who had, for many years, served faithfully the Church of Christ—officially and otherwise.

Also the Church has received two other gifts from kind friends in the city of Troy, viz. : a faldstool and prayer books for reading-desk and altar use.

GRACE CHURCH, NORFOLK.

Rector. The Rev. Zachary T. Savage.

Wardens. Sylvester Foord, M. D., Henry A. Wetmore.

Vestrymen. Cassius Robinson, F. Wetmore, F. S. Goff, Edgar Ford, H. F. Allen, E. H. Atwater, A. M. Thomson, M. D., G. Carpenter, G. A. Mowett.

*Parochial.*

Families, 26 ; Individuals (Adults, 62, Children, 41) ; Baptisms, Adults, 2 ; Confirmed, 2 ; Marriages, 1 ; Burials, 1 ; Communicants, last reported, 40, admitted, 2, received, 2, removed, 2, present number recorded, 42, actually communicating, 31 ; Public Services (Sundays, 68, Holy Days, 2, other days, 1) ; Holy Communion, public, 16 ; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 28 ; Catechizing, number of children, 13 ; number of times, 7.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$9.14 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$208.29. Total, \$217.43.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$2 ; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$0.75 ; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$8. Total, \$10.75.

Total amount of Offerings, \$228.18.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$200, and a house.

Number of sittings in the Church, 200 ; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

I took charge of this Parish on May 1 I met with a hearty welcome on the part of the congregation, which has continued to the present time. The Church has a fair prospect, if the ministrations are not interrupted. The above report includes three visits to Lawrenceville.

ST. ANDREW'S MISSION, NORWOOD.

Rector. The Rev. Zachary T. Savage.

Warden. William Stoyal.

*Parochial.*

Families, 21 ; Individuals (Adults, 37, Children, 34) ; Confirmed, 1 ; Communicants, last reported, 21, admitted, 1, died, 1, present number re-



communicating, 9, Public Services (Sundays, 33, Holy Days, 3, other days, 2); Holy Communion (public, 4, private, 1); Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 16; Catechizing, number of children, 7, number of times, 5.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$1.70; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$65; Other Parochial Objects, \$10.25. Total, \$76.95.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$1.56; Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$1.98. Total, \$3.54.

Total amount of Offerings, \$80.49.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$100.

*Remarks.*

The Church building is much needed here. The corner-stone was laid on the 12th of August, and much interest was shown on the occasion. The Church will be a brick building, and in every way worthy of the location. The frequent change of clergyman has proved a serious drawback to this Mission, but now I feel free to say confidence seems to be restored. We hope to occupy the new Church next summer when, I think, the success of this Mission will be assured.

## TRINITY CHURCH, GOUVERNEUR.

Rector. The Rev. Samuel B. Bostwick

Wardens. Aaron B. Cutting, Duncan G. Wood.

Vestrymen. George B. Winslow, Frank H. Smith, J. Wilbur Barbour, Bradley L. Barney, James M. Spencer, Jr., John McCarty.

*Parochial.*

Families, 62; Baptisms (Infants, 2); Confirmed, 3; Marriages, 1; Burials, 3; Communicants, last reported, 37, admitted, 3, received, 2, present number recorded, 42; Public Services (Sundays, 51, Holy Days, 3, other days, 12); Holy Communion (public, 8, private, 1); Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 35.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$20.82; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$750; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$200. Total, \$970.82.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$14.46; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Diocesan Fund, \$15; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10.90. Total, \$60.36.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$14.64; Foreign Missions, \$1.90; Young Christian Workers for Indian Missions, cash, \$8.30, also a box of clothing. Total, \$24.84.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,056.02.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000. Parsonage and Lot, \$1,200. Condition of property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$600.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; all free.

*Remarks.*

The present Rector took charge of the Parish in May last, and held his first regular services on Trinity Sunday. Impaired health has interfered somewhat with pastoral labors. The Parish has been much depressed by the most shameful conduct of one of its former Rectors. It is gradually regaining its tone and

confidence, and is manifesting a commendable zeal and interest after what it has suffered. The Ladies' Aid Society is very efficient, and does much good. It has undertaken to pay for an Organ lately purchased, of excellent tone and of sufficient size for the Church.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, MASSENA.

Rector. The Rev. Joshua N. T. Goss.

Wardens. Harvey H. Chittenden, Henry T. Clark.

Vestrymen. George A. Snaith, John O. Bridges, Harry F. Crooks, Henry Mulholland, Joseph E. Clary, John Patterson.

#### *Parochial.*

Baptisms (Infants, 24); Marriages, 4; Burials, 8; Communicants, last reported, 89, died, 2, removed, 3, present number recorded, 84; Public Services (Sundays, once every Lord's Day, Holy Days, Greater Festivals twice, others once, Wednesdays and Fridays during Lent and daily Passion week, other days, every Friday evening); Holy Communion (public, first Sunday in the month, Greater Festivals and at every morning service during Advent and Lent, private, several times); Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 56; Catechizing, number of children, whole school; number of times, every morning service.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$81.24; Current Expenses, including salaries, \$334.65; Sunday School, \$38.75; Other Parochial Objects, Christmas Gift to Rector, \$14. Total, \$468.64.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$41.10; Salary of the Bishop, \$6; Diocesan Fund, \$7.50. Total, \$54.60.

Total amount of Offerings, \$523.24.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church or Chapel; number rented, number free, same as last report.

#### *Remarks.*

Services are held by the Rector on Long Sault Island every fortnight, and as regularly as the crossing will permit.

### TRINITY CHAPEL, MORLEY.

Missionary. The Rev. Charles S. Olmsted.

Warden. T. L. Harison.

Treasurer. N. P. Whitney.

Clerk. G. I. Goodell.

#### *Parochial.*

Families, 70; Individuals, 284; Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 13), 19; Confirmed, 7; Marriages, 1; Burials, 5; Communicants, last reported, 87, admitted, 7, received, 1, died, 1, removed, 5, present number recorded, 89, actually communicating, 86; Public Services (Sundays, 100, Holy Days, 46, other days, 91), 237; Holy Communion (public, 18, private, 3), 21; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 65; Catechizing, number of children, Sunday School; number of times, 80.

#### *Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$82.12; Current Salaries, \$618.25; Sunday School, \$52.56. Total, \$752.93.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$100; Salary of the Bishop, \$8; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.28; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$2.28. **Total, \$110.56.**

**General.**—Domestic Missions, \$8; St. Lawrence Clerical Union, \$8.98. **Total, \$13.98.**

**Total amount of Offerings, \$826.47.**

*Remarks.*

At St. Philip's Mission in Madrid there have been held during the year twenty-one public services and two celebrations of the Holy Communion. One infant received baptism, and thirteen persons are actually communicating.

**GRACE MISSION, LOUISVILLE LANDING.**

**Rector.** The Rev Joshua N. T. Goss.

**Warden.** Royal B. Stearns.

**Treasurer.** Franklin J. Sutton.

**Clerk.** Barkley McPherson.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adult, 1, Infants, 13), 14; Marriage, 1; Burials, 3; Communicants, last reported, 19, removed, 1, present number recorded, 18; Public Services (Holy Days, occasionally, other days, fortnightly), Holy Communion (public, occasionally on Festival Days, private, several times).

*Offerings.*

**Parochial** — Alms at Holy Communion, \$1; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$25.08; Other Parochial Objects, Christmas Gift to Rector, \$35.80. **Total, \$61.88.**

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$21.25.

**Total amount of Offerings, \$83.13.**

**ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, LAWRENCEVILLE.**

**Warden.** William Kingston.

*Parochial.*

Families, 22; Individuals (Adults, 37, Children, 17); Confirmed, 2; Communicants, last reported, 35, admitted, 2, received, 1, removed, 8, present number recorded, 30, actually communicating, 21; Public Services (Sundays, 30; Holy Days, 1; other days, 12), 43; Holy Communion (public, 5, private, 1), 6; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 25; Catechizing, number of times, 2.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$3.72; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$150. **Total, \$153.72.**

**General.**—Indian Missions, \$1.

**Total amount of Offerings, \$154.72.**

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$3,000; Other Property, \$70. **Condition of Property, good, generally.**

**Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$125.**

**Number of Sitzings in the Church, 175, number free, 175.**

*Remarks.*

Rev. Dr. Morrison, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Olmsted and Finlay, held a Mission in the Parish, June 23. It was a season of great benefit to the Rector

**Saratoga County.**

**CHRIST CHURCH, BALLSTON SPA.**

Rector. The Rev. Walter Delafield.

Wardens. James W. Horton, Stephen B. Medbery.

Vestrymen. John Richards, Stephen C. Medbery, Wm. H. Wheeler, Jonathan S. Smith, Charles M. Brown, C. Oscar McCready, Col. Benj. F. Baker, Jas. W. Verbeck.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 9, Infants, 34), 43; Confirmed, 26; Marriages, 3; Burials, 15; Communicants, last reported, 373, admitted, 26, received, 5, died, 2, present number recorded, 402, actually communicating, 358; Public Services (Sundays, three every Sunday, Holy Days, all, other days, twice daily in Advent and Lent); Holy Communion (public, first Sunday in each month and all the Saints' Days, private, 12); Sunday School, teachers, 14, pupils, 150; Parish School, teachers, 2, pupils, 20.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$130.24; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,840.77; Sunday School, \$50; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$1,042.43. Total, \$3,063.44.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$100; Salary of the Bishop, \$36; Diocesan Fund, \$30; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$11.07; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$14 20; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$17; The Child's Hospital, \$30; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$14.92; St. John's Clergy House, East Line, \$1,231.33. Total, \$1,484.52.

General.—General Theological Seminary, \$10.12; Domestic Missions, Foreign Missions, Indian Missions, Home Missions to Colored Persons, to Treasurer General Missionary Fund, \$164 36; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, St. Stephen's College, \$14.28; Cuba Missions, \$65.37; Protestant Episcopal Jewish Society, \$6.37; Colored Church, Washington, D. C., \$11.30; Jaffa Mission School, \$25. Total, \$296.80.

Total amount of Offerings, \$4,844.76.

*Property.*

Condition of property, good; out of debt.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200, and Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 300.

*Remarks.*

Services are provided by the Rector for St. John's Chapel, East Line, and St. James' Chapel, Milton Centre.

**ST. JOHN'S MISSION, EAST LINE.**

Rector. The Rev. Walter Delafield.

Warden. Walter Bradley.

Secretary. John D. Raymond. Treasurer. Wm. I. Scidmore.

*Parochial.*

Families, 48; Baptisms (Adults, 4, Infants, 4); Confirmed, 5; last reported, 31, admitted, 5, removed, 2, present number communicating, 33; Public Services (Sundays, 5).

Wednesday evenings); Holy Communion (public, 17, private, 3), 20; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 20.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current expenses, including Salaries, \$100; Sunday School, \$12; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$150. Total, \$262.

Total amount of Offerings, \$262.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,500; Parsonage and Lot, \$3,000; Insurance for three years, Church, \$1,200; House, \$2,000 Total, \$8,700.

Indebtedness.—\$1,100 on Clergy house.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$80.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 110; all free.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CHARLTON.

Rector The Rev. Heman R. Timlow.

Wardens. Matthew L. R. Valentine, Robert O. Davis.

Vestrymen. J. L. R. Valentine, John Hayes, Robert J. Wendle, Joseph R. Valentine, William L. Taylor, William O. Smith, George C. Valentine, William Taylor.

*Parochial.*

Families, 25; Individuals (Adults, 58, Children, 15); Baptisms, Infants, 1; Confirmed, 2; Burials, 1; Communicants, admitted, 2, present number recorded, 28; Holy Communion, public, 12; Catechizing, number of times, 6.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$9; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$20; Other Parochial Objects, \$151.08 Total, \$180.08.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, 2, General expenses of the Diocese, \$5.62. Total, \$7.62.

General.—Foreign Missions, \$5.50.

Total amount of Offerings, \$193.20.

*Property.*

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$225.

*Remarks.*

The average attendance upon Church services has largely increased during the last six months, or since the present Rector assumed charge of the Parish, but families and individuals thus added to the congregation have not been counted in the present report. The Parish has been unwilling to take up a collection to meet the assessment laid upon it for the salary of the Bishop, for the reason that not only did it meet fully the original assessment for the fund which was \$250, but paid in \$500, with the understanding that no future assessments for this purpose should be made. The members feel it to be an injustice, that they should now be called upon to make good the deficiency of other and even much stronger Parishes.

## GRACE CHURCH, WATERFORD.

Rector. The Rev. Walter Thompson.

Wardens. James Holroyd, John Higgins.

Vestrymen. Francis S. Waldron, Joseph B. Enos, John Lawrence, Dr. Roland Smith, S. B. McCoy, William Holroyd, Joseph Harriman, Emanuel Mead.

*Parochial.*

Families, 116; Individuals (Adults, 190, Children, 117); Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 13); Marriages, 3; Burials, 12; Communicants, last reported, 150, received, 13, died, 4, present number recorded, 164, actually communicating, 120; Public Services (Sundays, 95, Holy Days, 10, other days, 72); Holy Communion (public, 32, private, 3); Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 90; Catechizing, number of children, 90; number of times, 15.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$108.39; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,576 80; Sunday School, \$90.44; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$118.50; Other Parochial Objects, Extra for Poor, \$117.50. Total, \$2,011.63.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$110, with specials to East Line, and St. Andrew's, West Troy; Salary of the Bishop, \$35; Diocesan Fund, \$20; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$10; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$23; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$7.82; The Child's Hospital, \$25. Total, \$230.82.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$16.34; Foreign Missions, \$3; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$38.60. Total, \$57.94.

Total amount of offerings, \$2,300.39.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$2,000; Other Property, Leases and Bonds. Condition of Property, in perfect repair.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,200.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; number rented pews, 58; number free, 12.

*Remarks.*

The above report does not include \$122.23 collected by the ladies of the Parish for benevolent purposes.

**BETHESDA, SARATOGA SPRINGS.**

Rector. The Rev. Joseph Carey, S. T. D.

Wardens. H. W. Burhans, A. B. Olmstead.

Vestrymen. James M. Marvin, P. P. Wiggins, R. C. McEwen, William Searing, William Bennett, John W. Ehninger, Charles H. Payn, Daniel Eddy.

*Parochial.*

Families, 206; Individuals (Adults, 545, Children, 430), 975; Baptisms (Adults, 19, Infants, 47), 66; Confirmed, 41; Marriages, 8; Burials, 29; Churchings, 2; Communicants, last reported, 402, admitted, 41, received, 3, died, 10; removed, 15, present number recorded, 421; actually communicating, 395; Public Services (Sundays, 102, Holy Days, 23, other days, 264), 389; Holy Communion (public, 38, private, 10), 48; Sunday School, teachers, 44, pupils, including branch school at Home, 439; Catechizing, number of children, 439; number of times, 45.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$230.72; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$3,700; Sunday School, \$150; Home of Good Shepherd, \$350; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$100; Other Parochial Objects, \$100; debt, \$3,244. Total, \$7,774.72.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$118.18; Salary of the Bishop, \$40; Diocesan Fund, \$36; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$17.70; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$13.76; The Child's Hospital, \$34; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, Taxes on Bishop's house, \$10. Total, \$269.64.

**General.**—Deaf-Mute Mission, \$31.75; China Mission, \$36.75; Cuba Mission, \$73.85; Bishop Tuttle's School, \$20; St. Stephen's College, \$14.61. Total, \$176.46.  
Total amount of Offerings, \$8,320.82.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$50,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$7,000; Other Property, House of Good Shepherd, \$3,500. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,800, and Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 850, part rented, part free.

*Remarks.*

This Parish was organized October 4, 1890, and admitted into union with the Convention of the Diocese of New York, October 7, of the same year. This is consequently its jubilee year. During the past year the Church debt has been extinguished, and the Parish is now free to go on with its good works. A new Chapel organ, purchased by the Sunday School, has been placed in the Church, the Chancel has been improved, and fifty camp chairs have been procured for summer use. The Rector records his thanks to the vestry and the congregation for their great kindness during his temporary illness last summer.

**ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, SCHUYLERVILLE.**

**Rector.** The Rev. H. C. E. Costello.

**Wardens.** C. S. Nelson, J. R. Preston, M. D.

*Parochial.*

Families, 45; Individuals; (Adults, 90, Children, 55), 145; Baptisms, Infants, 2; Marriages, 2; Burials, 1; Communicants, actually communicating, 40; Public Services (Sundays, 32, Holy Days, 13, other days, 105), 150; Holy Communion (public, 6, private, 3), 9; Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 56; Catechizing, number of times, every Sunday; Parish School, teachers, 1, pupils, 20.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**—Alms at Holy Communion, \$6.87; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$157.28. Total, \$163.60.

**Diocesan.**—Diocesan Missions, \$5.51; Salary of Bishop, \$6; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$15.22; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, taxes, etc., on Bishop's house, \$5; General Diocesan purposes, \$7.50. Total, \$39.23.

Total amount of Offerings, \$202.83.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$300.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

This report is from 12th September to the end of the year.

**CALVARY CHURCH, BURNT HILLS (SOUTH BALLSTON.)**

**Rector.** The Rev. Heman R. Timlow.

**Wardens.** Calvin S. Wheeler, William H. Wheeler.

**Vestrymen.** John Wheeler, Ammi Van Vorst, Edward K. Wheeler, Charles H. Upham, Francis W. Wheeler, Eben R. Jones, J. Wilson Abbs, Anson J. Larkin.

*Parochial.*

Families, 41; Individuals, 99; Baptisms, Infants, 6; Confirmed, 2; Marriages, 1; Burials, 4; Public Services (Sundays, once every Sunday, Holy Days, festivals); Holy Communion (public, every month, private, 1); Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 30; Catechizing, number of times, 8.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**— Alms at Holy Communion, \$18.76; Other Parochial Objects, \$150. Total, \$168.76.

**Diocesan.**— Diocesan Missions, \$3; Salary of Bishop, \$12; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$4.14; General expenses of Diocese, \$5. Total, \$24.14.

**General.**— Foreign Missions, \$9.22.

Total amount of Offerings, \$202.12.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$450.

*Remarks.*

The present Rector has been in charge of the Parish for only a few months, and he has found it difficult to arrange for the offerings, so as to present a complete report to this convention.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CONKLINGVILLE.**

**Rector.** The Rev. Wm. H. Phillips.

**Wardens.** Mr. Gillespie, Joseph Ross.

*Parochial.*

Families, 18; Individuals (Adults, 54, Children, 32); Baptisms, Infants, 5; Burials, 1; Communicants, present number recorded, 16, actually communicating, 16; Public Services (Sundays, 50, Holy Days, 1, other days, 4); Holy Communion, public, 12; Catechizing, number of children, 12, number of times, 8.

*Offerings.*

**Parochial.**— Alms at Holy Communion, \$12; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$150; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$150; Other Parochial Objects, \$20. Total, \$332.

**Diocesan.**— Diocesan Missions, \$2; Salary of the Bishop, \$6. Total, \$8.

Total amount of Offerings, \$340.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$2,500; Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Missionary, \$150.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 150; number free, all.



*Remarks.*

With the generous gift of fifty dollars from J. P. Bowman, Creek Centre, fifteen dollars from Mrs. Conkling, with aid from summer visitors from New York and Brooklyn, the Church has been furnished with a good bell. A lady from New York presented a chancel carpet. Mrs. Conkling, a former resident, presented matting for the aisles, etc.

The Priest in charge having no conveyance has been unable to do any parochial visiting. Otherwise there might have been a brighter report of spiritual increase.

**Schenectady County.****ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, SCHENECTADY**

Rector. The Rev. William Payne, D. D.

Wardens. A. A. Van Vorst, Samuel W. Jackson.

Vestrymen. D. C. Smith, G. G. Maxon, George Curtis, James E. Davis, Wm. H. Smith, T. W. McCamus, J. A. De Remer, John Keyes Paige

*Parochial.*

Families, 160, Individuals, 500, Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 17), 19; Confirmed, 13, Marriages, 11, Burials, 18. Communicants, last reported, 217, admitted, 18, received, 2, died, 5, removed, 10, present number recorded, 217, actually communicating, 175, Public Services (Sundays, 104, all Holy Days, other days, 182); Holy Communion (public, 26, private, 2); Sunday School, teachers, 36, pupils, 160; Catechizing, number of children, 160; number of times, 40.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$155.70; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$2,637.90; Sunday School, \$140; Mites, \$157; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$80; Other Parochial Objects, Alms chest "for sick persons and young children," \$30.29, Extra for Sexton, \$25.39; Extra for Music, \$250. Total, \$3,482.28.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$236.14. Salary of the Bishop, \$40; Diocesan Fund, \$37.50; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$29.74; The Child's Hospital, \$34.63; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$50. Total, \$428.01.

Total amount of Offerings, \$3,910.29.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$18,000, Parsonage and Lot, \$6,000. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,500.

Sittings in the Church mostly rented, and some free.

**CHRIST CHURCH, SCHENECTADY.**

Rector. The Rev. J. L. Parks.

Wardens. J. D. Featherstonhaugh, James E. Curtiss.

Vestrymen. S. T. Benedict, W. N. Butler, R. T. Butler, David Guy, I. C. Van Vranken, H. C. Van Zandt, John K. Elwin, W. Lamoroux.

*Parochial.*

Families, 48, Individuals (Adults, 140, Children, 115), 255; Baptisms (Adults, 11, Infants, 1), 12; Confirmed, 9; Burials, 5; Communicants, last reported, 91,

admitted, 9, received, 12, removed, 1, present number recorded, 111; Public Services (Sundays, twice every Sunday; Holy Days, all Holy Days; other days, twice weekly); Holy Communion (public, monthly, and upon Great Feasts); Sunday School, teachers, 13, pupils, 118; Catechizing, number of children, 118; number of times, monthly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$55.97; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,181.46; Sunday School, \$29.36; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$125. Total, \$1,391.79.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$13; Salary of the Bishop, \$10; Diocesan Fund, \$15. Total, \$38.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,429.79.

*Property.*

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 180; all free.

*Remarks.*

The present Rector took charge December 5, 1880. The reports of services etc., state the system to be pursued, which appears to have been about that adopted by the preceding incumbent.

**CHRIST CHURCH, DUANESBURGH.**

Rector. The Rev. George L. Neide.

Wardens. B. M. Duane, Alexander McDougall.

Vestrymen. James D. Featherstonhaugh, R. W. McDougall, James Wilkins, H. P. Allen, A. Van Pelt, W. Van Pelt, George Matthews, Edward Clark.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Infants, 4); Burials, 1; Communicants, present number recorded, 86; Public Services (Sundays, 104, Holy Days, 15, other days, 13); Holy Communion (public, 24); Sunday School, teachers, 9, pupils, 20; catechizing, number of times, 22.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, not otherwise accounted for, \$6.06; Sunday School, \$22; Other Parochial Objects, by Ladies' Society of the Chapel, \$200. Total, \$228.06.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$50; Salary of the Bishop, \$50; Diocesan Fund, \$30; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$2.02; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.50; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$5.75; The Child's Hospital, \$4.50; Church at Lebanon Springs, \$5. Total, \$149.77.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$5; Mission at Melrose, Florida, \$18, of which from the Ladies' Society, \$10; Mission at Leadville, Col., from Ladies' Society of Trinity Chapel, \$10. Total, \$33.

Total amount of Offerings, \$410.83.

**Schoharie County.****ST. LUKE'S, MIDDLEBURGH.**

Missionary Priest. The Rev. H. C. E. Costelle.

Wardens. W. H. Engle, S. Denison.

*Parochial Reports.**Parochial.*

Families, 7; parts of families, 6; Individuals (Adults, 29, Children, 10), 39; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 3), 8; Confirmed, 4; Burials, 8; Communicants, last reported, 21, admitted, 4, removed, 2, present number recorded, 23, actually communicating, 23; Public Services (Sundays, 70, Holy Days, 23, other days, 39); Holy Communion (public, 11); Catechizing, number of times, 30.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$15.03; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$225.01. Total, \$240.04

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$4; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$8.34; Convocation of Susquehanna, \$6. Total, \$18.34.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$3; Foreign Missions, \$1.60. Total, \$3.60.

Total amount of Offerings, \$259.98.

*Property.*

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 100; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

This report is from 1st of January, 1880, to the middle of September of same year, when the Missionary was removed to Schuylerville.

## TRINITY CHURCH, SHARON SPRINGS.

Rector. The Rev. J. W. Paige.

Trustees. Rev. Robert S. Howland, D. D., John H. Gardner, Stephen C. Williams and others.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 9), 11; Marriages, 7; Burials, 6; Communicants, last reported, 56, received, 3, died, 1, removed, 3, present number recorded, 55; Public Services (Sundays, including Mission, 118, Holy Days, 4, other days, 46); Holy Communion (public, 14, private, 1); Sunday School, teachers, including Mission, 17, pupils, including Mission, 135; Catechizing, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$89.80; Current Expenses, including Salaries, about \$1,200; Sunday School, \$21; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$100. Total, \$1,409.80.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$10; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, \$7.50. Total, \$37.50.

General.—Indian Missions, \$9, Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, \$8.60. Total, \$17.60

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,464.40.

*Property.*

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$750.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; all free.

*Remarks.*

Services are still continued at Sharon Centre. Among gifts presented to the Church during the year is a costly altar cross from a friend in New York.

**Warren County.**

**CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, GLEN'S FALLS.**

Rector. The Rev. Russell A. Olin.

Wardens. William Aug. Wait, Leonard G. McDonald.

Vestrymen. A. W. Holden, M. D., L. P. Jewet, Wm. H. H. Robbins, R. F. Haviland, Geo. H. Bassinger, Daniel Peck, Isaac Buswell, Henry Crandall.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 6, Infants, 10), 16; Confirmed, 14; Marriages, 6; Burials, 16; Communicants, last reported, 224, admitted, 14, received, 6, died, 6, removed, 4, present number recorded, 234; Public Services (Sundays, 109, Holy Days, 20, other days, 72); Holy Communion (public, 16, private, 5); Sunday School, teachers and other officers, 17, pupils, 150; Catechizing, number of times, 47; Sunday School at Harrisena, teachers, 3, pupils, 20.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.— Alms at Holy Communion, \$51.11; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,760.14; Sunday School, \$48.98; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$362; Other Parochial Objects, Ladies' Society, \$53.57; Poor of the Parish, \$44.65; Sunday School Library, \$33.29. Total, \$2,353.47.

Diocesan.— Diocesan Missions, \$68.36; Salary of the Bishop, \$24; Diocesan Fund, \$35; Bible and Common Prayer Book Society of Albany, \$4.73; Increase of the Episcopate Fund, \$7.17; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$20.52; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$27.17; The Child's Hospital, \$2.77; Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, \$14 (\$55.90 of above given by Sunday School). Total, \$203.72.

General.— Domestic Missions, \$17; Foreign Missions, \$9.16; Home Missions to Colored Persons, \$5.25. Total, \$31.41.

Total amount of Offerings, \$2,588.87.

Sunday School Offerings unapplied, \$29.69.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$1,500. Condition of Property, good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,350, and rent of Rectory.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 320; assigned.

*Remarks.*

Number of Sitzings at Harrisena (St. Paul's Church), about 150; all free.

The Rectorship of the present incumbent will expire January 30, 1881.

**HOLY CROSS CHURCH, WARRENSBURGH.**

Rector. The Rev. Wm. M. Ogden.

Wardens. F. O. Burhans, Henry Griffing.

Vestrymen. Halsey B. Hayes, Moses Sutton, George A. Schneider, Alphonso Young, Frank Schneider, Duncan Griffin, James Herrick, Richard J. Whitby.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 5, Infants, 5), 10; Confirmed, 9; Marriages, 5; Burials, 8; Communicants, last reported, 78, admitted, 8, received, 1, died, 1, removed, 4, present number recorded, 82, actually communicating, 76; Public Services (Sundays, 109, Holy Days, 20, other days, 72); Holy Communion (public, 16, private, 5); Sunday School, teachers and other officers, 17, pupils, 150; Catechizing, number of times, 47; Sunday School at Harrisena, teachers, 3, pupils, 20.

159. Holy Days, 37, other days, 543; Holy Communion, public, 63; Sunday School, teachers, 7, pupils, 44; Catechizing, number of children, 20, number of times, 10.

*Offerings.*

Parochial Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$954.92.

Diocesan — Diocesan Missions, \$40 74; Salary of the Bishop, \$32. Diocesan Fund, \$21 25, Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2.65, The Child's Hospital, \$4.50; Other Offerings for Objects within the Diocese, Repairs, taxes, etc., on Bishop's house, \$15; Mission on Raquette lake, \$33. Total, \$149.14.

General. — Domestic Missions, \$5 42; Foreign Missions, \$3. Home Missions for Colored Persons, \$2. Total, \$10.42.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,114.48.

*Property.*

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$850.

Number ofittings in the Church, 126; free.

*Remarks.*

Until June 1st, I held regular services in the Chapel at Chester every Sunday afternoon.

## ST. MARY'S CHURCH, LUZERNE

Missionary. The Rev. Wm. H. Phillips.

Wardens. B. F. Butler, Charles H. McMaster.

*Parochial.*

Families, 8; Individuals (Adults, 18, Children, 16); Burials, 1; Communicants, present number recorded, 15, actually communicating, 10; Public Services (Sundays, 51, Holy Days, 9, other days, 25); Holy Communion (public, 12, private, 1); Catechizing, number of children, 7, number of times, 32.

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*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$4.84.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$3.

Total amount of Offerings, \$7.84.

## CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, CHESTERTOWN.

Missionary. The Rev. Charles D. Flagler.

*Parochial.*

Families, 12; Baptisms, Infants, 2; Communicants, removed, 4, present number recorded, 16, actually communicating, 16; Public Services (Sundays, 50, Holy Days, 4, other days, 32), Holy Communion, public, 1; Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 24; Catechizing, number of children, 24, number of times, 8.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$2; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$302.67. Total, \$304 67.

Diocesan.—Salary of the Bishop, \$4.

Total amount of Offerings, \$308.67.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$1,400. Condition of Property, in good order.  
Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$500.  
Number of Sitzings in the Church, 90 : all free.

*Remarks.*

The Holy Communion has been celebrated but once, as your Missionary is in Deacon's orders, and consequently has been obliged to depend on the kindness of others. Our weekly offertory during the past year amounts to \$82.82.

**Washington County.**

**ZION CHURCH, SANDY HILL.**

Rector. The Rev. Charles T. Whittemore.

Wardens. John Beach, Charles H. Beach.

Vestrymen. E. H. Crocker, A. B. Davis, J. W. Wait, S. H. Parks, B. G. Knapp, C. T. Beach, William Howe, J. W. Outtersen.

*Parochial.*

Families, 68; Baptisms (Adults, 1, Infants, 10), 11; Confirmed, 9; Marriages, 5; Communicants, last reported, 108, admitted, 9, removed, 5, present number recorded, 115, actually communicating, 101; Public Services (Sundays, 103, Holy Days, 3, other days, 84), 190; Holy Communion (public, 20, private, 4), 24; Sunday School, teachers, 8, pupils, 48; Catechizing, number of times, 40.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,142.45; Sunday School, \$14.13; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$474.30. Total, \$1,630.88.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$56.80; Salary of the Bishop, \$30; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$10; The Child's Hospital, \$31.20, from Sunday School; Bishop's house tax assessment, \$3. Total, \$131.

General.—Domestic Missions and Foreign Missions, \$12.72; Troy Convocation, \$7.31. Total, \$20.03.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,781.91.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000. Condition of Property, good.  
Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$800.  
Number of Sitzings in the Church, 200; all free.

*Remarks.*

Mission services held during the summer and until December at Adamsville.  
Of the above amount contributed to improvement of church property \$25 was given by the Sunday School.

**TRINITY CHURCH, GRANVILLE.**

Missionary. The Rev. William C. Prout.

Wardens. Palmer D. Everts, Jonathan S. Warren.

Vestrymen. R. C. Betts, A. Wilcox, George W. Henry, B. H.

*Parochial.*

Families, 30; Baptisms (Adults, 3, Infants, 7), 10; Confirmed, 2; Burials, 1; Communicants, present number recorded, 25; Public Services (Sundays, 64, Holy Days, 8, other days, 7), 74; Holy Communion (public 12); Sunday School, teachers, 4, pupils, 25.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$337.01; Sunday School, \$11.13. Total, \$348.14.

Diocesan — Diocesan Missions, \$8.90; Diocesan Fund, \$3.75. Total, \$12.65.

Total amount of Offerings, \$360.79.

## MISSION, NORTH GRANVILLE.

Missionary. The Rev. William C. Prout.

*Parochial.*

Families, 9, Individuals (Adults, 25, Children, 11), 36; Baptisms (Adults, 2), Confirmed, 5; Marriages, 1, Burials, 3; Communicants, present number recorded, 15; Public Services (Sundays, 100, Holy Days, 15, other days, 60), 175; Holy Communion (public, 14).

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$223.94.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$8.80,

Total amount of Offerings, \$232.74.

## ST. JAMES' CHURCH, FORT EDWARD.

Rector. The Rev. Fenwick M. Cookson.

Wardens. Walter Rogers, Philander C. Hitchcock.

Vestrymen. Ruel Ruggles, Thos. R. Wade, James Kinne, Levi Olmsted, A. A. Van Loon, Geo. W. Little, Francis B. Davis, Phillip C. Thebo.

*Parochial.*

Baptisms (Adults, 8, Infants, 7), 15; Confirmed, 10; Marriages, 6; Burials, 10; Communicants, last reported, 150, admitted, 8, died, 3, present number recorded, 155; Public Services (Sundays, 105, Holy Days, 19, other days 65), 189; Holy Communion (public, 25, private, 1), 26; Sunday School, teachers, 12, pupils, 125; Catechizing, number of children, entire School; number of times, weekly.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,361.22; Sunday School, \$120.24; Increase and Improvement of Church Property, \$461.03; Other Parochial Objects, for the Poor, \$21; New Organ, \$1,400. Total, \$3,363.49.

Diocesan — Diocesan Missions, \$69.19; Salary of the Bishop, \$30, Diocesan Fund, \$25; Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2; Orphan House of the Holy Saviour, \$66.60; The Child's Hospital, \$9.53; Educational, \$55. Total, \$257.32.

General.—Domestic Missions, from Sunday School, \$16.15.

Total amount of Offerings, \$3,636.96.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$10,000; Parsonage and Lot, \$7,500. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness.—On Parsonage Lot, \$328.97.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$1,000, and part rental of Rectory.

• of Sitzings in the Church, 300; all free.

*Remarks.*

Our new Organ is the gift of the same generous warden from whom many other liberal things have come to the Parish.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, SALEM.

Rector. The Rev. John Henry Houghton, B. A.

Wardens. James Gibson, Geo. Bethune McCartee.

Vestrymen. John M. Williams, D. B. Cole, A. K. Broughton, F. Linsenbarth, James Gibson, Jr., F. Kegler, David Mahaffy, F. H. Graham.

*Parochial.*

Families, 40; Individuals (Adults, 111, Children, 130), 241; Baptisms (Adults 5, Infants, 17), 22; Confirmed, 4; Burials, 2; Churchings, 2; Communicants, last reported, 62, admitted, 7, received, 7, died, 1, removed, 5, present number recorded, 70, actually communicating, 67; Public Services (Sundays, twice, Holy Days, all, other days, 120), 320; Holy Communion (public, 45); Sunday School (teachers, 8 pupils, 80), 88; Catechizing, number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$24.85; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$1,107.41; Sunday School, \$30.26; Other Parochial Objects, Vestments \$53.75. Total, \$1,216.27.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$110; Salary of the Bishop, \$20; Diocesan Fund, \$18.25; Education of young man for ministry, \$75; Bishop's House Convention, 1880, \$25. Total, \$248.25.

General.—Domestic Missions, \$25; Foreign Missions, \$25; Other Objects exterior to the Diocese, "St. James the Less," Lake City, Col., \$12. Total, \$62.

Total amount of Offerings, \$1,526.52.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$6,000; Parsonage and Lot, Parish building, \$1,500. Condition of Property, very good.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$750.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 250; number rented, 15; number free, 235.

*Remarks.*

The ground about the Church, which takes the place in the village of a public park, has been enlarged and improved during the past year through donations received from non-parishioners and non-residents.

TRINITY CHURCH, WHITEHALL.

Rector. The Rev. James Earl Hall.

Wardens. James A. Conery, H. W. Dickenson.

Vestrymen. T. A. Paterson, J. D. Culver, R. Doig, Jr., H. Morris, C. B. Bates, Jeremiah Adams, Henry Greenough.

*Parochial.*

Families, 94; Individuals (Adults, 240, Children, 95), 335; Baptisms (Adults, 2, Infants, 6), 8; Marriages, 6; Burials, 9; Communicants, last reported, 129, admitted, 3, received, 2, died, 3, removed, 4, present number recorded, 127, actually communicating, 120; Public Services (Sundays, 100, Holy Days, 75), 175; Holy Communion (public, 22, private, 5), 27; Sunday School, teachers, 10, pupils, 100.



*Parochial Reports.**Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$87.52; Sunday School, \$20. Total, \$107.52.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$53.28, Salary of the Bishop, \$14, Diocesan Fund, \$22.50, Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$2; Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, \$2, The Child's Hospital, \$3. Total, \$96.78.

Total amount of Offerings, \$204.30.

*Property.*

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 800; number free, all.

*Remarks.*

In August I said Morning Prayer and Litany and celebrated the Holy Communion at Sabbath-Day Point, Lake George, at the house of J. W. Chamberlain, Esq., and Evening Prayer at Hulet's Landing, Lake George.

The Church has been redecorated in several colors, an altar cloth and antependia and doves have been donated, the altar raised and foot-pace carpeted.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CAMBRIDGE.

Rector. The Rev. Frederick H. T. Horsfield.

Wardens. Henry C. Day, Robert Davis.

Vestrymen. B. Morgan Deuel, Charles T. Hawley, Thomas Le Grys, J. Fenimore Niver, M. D., Dennis M. Smith.

*Parochial.*

Families, 24; Individuals (Adults, 72, Children, 30), 102; Baptisms (Infants, 2), Confirmed, 3; Marriages, 2; Burials, 5; Communicants, died, 2, removed, 1, present number recorded, 57, actually communicating, 54, Public Services (Sundays, 100, Holy Days, 25, other days, 50); Holy Communion (public, 20); Sunday School, teachers, 3, pupils, 22; Catechizing, number of children, 20; number of times, 12.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$566.51; Sunday School, \$40. Total, \$606.51.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$20; Salary of the Bishop, \$6. Total, \$26.

Total amount of Offerings, \$632.51.

*Property.*

Church and Lot (estimated worth), \$7,500. Condition of Property, good.

Indebtedness.—On Rectory Lot, \$370.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$400.

Number of Sitzings in the Church, 225, number free, all.

*Remarks.*

The present incumbent took charge of the Parish October 10, 1880. The report is therefore not so complete as it might be under other circumstances.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GREENWICH.

Rector. The Rev. John M. Windsor.

Wardens. Edward A. Brown, Hiram B. Tefft.

Vestrymen. Stephen Stillman, Henry L. Mowry, W. H. Hoyt, Allen Stuart N. T. Andrews, E. A. Burke, J. T. Masters, Samuel Masters.

*Parochial.*

Families, 41 ; Individuals (Adults, 140, Children, 37); Baptisms, Infants, 1 ; Marriages, 2 ; Burials, 1 ; Communicants, present number recorded, 56, actually communicating, 29 ; Public Services (Sundays, 53, Holy Days, 1, other days, 1 ; Holy Communion (public, 4, private, 1) ; Sunday School, teachers, 5, pupils, 25 ; Catechizing, number of children, 12, number of times, 4.

*Offerings.*

Parochial.—Alms at Holy Communion, \$5.21 ; Current Expenses, including Salaries, \$752 ; Sunday School, \$10.37. Total, \$767.58.

Diocesan.—Diocesan Missions, \$8.90 ; Salary of the Bishop, \$7. Total, \$15.90  
Total amount of Offerings, \$783.48.

*Property.*

Church Lot (estimated worth), \$1,000 ; Other Property, in bank, \$350.

Amount of Salary pledged Rector, \$700.

*Remarks.*

The present Rector took charge of the Parish on the 11th July, 1880. His report, therefore, covers just six months.

The Parish has a Church lot, beautifully situated, in the center of the village, adjoining the park. It is paid for, and cost one thousand dollars. On this lot the Rector and Vestry propose to build a substantial Church edifice of stone, costing not less than six nor more than eight thousand dollars. Of this sum four thousand dollars has been subscribed, and promises of aid, in money, have been given the Rector, by the Rev. Dr. Potter, Rector of Grace Church, and the Rev. Dr. Morgan, Rector of St. Thomas', New York, and others. And it is now believed, that, if five hundred dollars could be obtained from the Diocese of Albany, exclusive of the village of Greenwich, the whole amount proposed to be raised could be speedily secured.

The services are now being held in a "Hall," in the third story of a building erected for business purposes. And although many members of the Church who are unable, and others who are not, refuse to climb three flights of stairs to attend public worship, yet the "Hall," is generally full, especially at morning service, and is at times, inadequate to accommodate all who come.

## REPORT OF THE CHURCH HOME IN THE CITY OF TROY.

The Trustees of the Church Home in the City of Troy respectfully report that the Charity under their charge has continued during the past year to enjoy the favor of the members of the Church in the city, and has afforded a peaceful and happy home to twelve Communicants who, from old age or other causes, have become unable to provide for their own support.

Legacies have been received during the past year from the estate of Mrs. Stephen Warren, one of the oldest and most liberal friends of the Home, and from that of Miss Fanny Tuttle.

The family of Mrs. C. E. T. Lane, who had been from the first establishment of the Home most actively interested in its work, and whose lamented decease was referred to in our last report, have nearly completed the erection of a Chapel adjoining the main building on the north. This Chapel will not only be an

appropriate memorial of one whose good works and alms-deeds should not be allowed to be forgotten, but also a constant source of comfort to those members of the household who are prevented from attending divine service at their Parish Churches.

The Ladies' Auxiliary Committee has continued, during the past year, to render efficient assistance in the support and management of the Home.

The receipts in money, exclusive of other gifts, for the year 1880 have been :

From income of permanent fund.....	\$502 00
From offerings, subscriptions, etc.....	1,569 00
Total.....	<u>\$2,071 00</u>

The cost of maintaining the Home has been.....	\$2,348 73
The permanent fund amounts to.....	9,625 00
Being an increase since last report of.....	<u>1,600 00</u>

By order and on behalf of the Trustees.

JOSEPH W. FULLER, *President.*

January 10, 1881.

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## PERSONAL REPORTS.

AUBURN, MASS., *December 29, 1880.*

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir* — Since coming to this Diocese (Massachusetts), Nov. 17, 1880, I have officiated four times. Twice at Trinity Church, Milford, and twice at All Saints' Church, Worcester, Mass. I have celebrated Holy Communion once and once "assisted" at such celebration.

Respectfully,

N. H. BURNHAM, *Presbyter.*

BOSTON HIGHLANDS, MASS., *January 19, 1881.*

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop* — I respectfully give you an account of my work During the past convention year, with the exception of one month, I have discharged the duties of assistant to the Rev. Geo. S. Converse, in St. John's Church Boston Highlands, Diocese of Massachusetts. I spent the month of July at Oswego, Central New York, and assisted my father in the Church of the Evangelists and its Mission. I have preached forty-three times, baptized nine infants, solemnized four marriages, and officiated at twenty-four funerals.

I remain, *Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,*

Most respectfully yours,

W. B. BURROWS.

*To the Rt. Rev. W. C. DOANE, S. T. D., Bishop of Albany.*

OGDENSBURGH, *February 2, 1881.*

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir* — I send you my report for the last convention year. My memory is getting so poor that I forget the times and seasons. And now I say I have no work to report but the work of patience. I am so broken down by time and many infirmities that I can do nothing. I can hardly venture out of the house, so tottering and palsied have I become.

Yours respectfully and affectionately,

H. R. PETERS.

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA, *December, 30, 1880.*

*To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany :*

During the past year my health has been so far impaired, as almost to debar me from assisting in the work of the Church, consequently my report for the present year varies but little from those of the two preceding years

EDWARD PIDSLEY.

PARISH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,  
STOCKPORT, N. Y., *January 4, 1881.*

*To the Rt. Rev. WM. CROSWELL DOANE, S. T. D., Bishop of Albany :*

*Rt. Rev. Sir* — For the year past I wish to report, that I have assisted the Rector, the Rev. George Fisher, in the Parish in such duties as he has assigned me.

Yours very respectfully,

W. BENJAMIN REYNOLDS.

The Rev. W. A. Rich, Missionary for Cranberry Lake and parts adjacent, residing in Canton, St. Lawrence county, has visited his missionary ground eleven times, has held service eleven times, and has been there in all forty-eight days. His services are held in the one school house of the town of Clifton, twenty-four miles from Canton, and fourteen miles from Cranberry Lake. The attendance at these services,\* is from sixteen to thirty, the larger proportion children.

In the Parish of Grace Church, Canton, he has officiated, in the absence of the Rector, on four occasions, viz.: two Sunday services, and two burials.

LEIPSIC, SAXONY, *December 5, 1880.*

*To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany :*

*Rt. Rev. Sir* — I would respectfully submit the following report. After my ordination on Trinity Sunday, May 23, 1880, I assisted the Rev. Mr. Hamilton of Hart's Falls, for the five following Sundays, until the end of June. Since that time I have been traveling, and am now occupied with my studies in the university of this place. As occasion offers I assist the Chaplain of the Anglo-American Church here, in reading the services and administering the Holy Communion.

Respectfully yours,

JACOB STREIBERT,  
*Deacon.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY, 1881.

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Bishop* — I herewith respectfully report, that I officiated as Rector of St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville, N. Y., until the 4th day of May last; as assistant of St. Paul's, Salem, N. Y., from the 1st of June, 1880, to the 1st of October, 1880; as assistant of Christ Church, New Brunswick, N. J., from the 1st of October to the second Sunday in Advent, with occasional service in Stillwater, N. Y. From the second Sunday in Advent to Feast of the Circumcision, I have been off duty.

Yours respectfully,

A. H. STUBBS,  
*Rector elect of Wadesboro, N. C.*

*To the Rt. Rev. WILLIAM C. DOANE, S. T. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Albany.*

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\* The services here are a labour of love, and no stipend is asked or appropriated.

*Report of the Rev. J. B. TREVETT :*

My resignation of the Rectorship of St. Luke's Church, Cambridge, took effect the 29th day of September, 1880. About the middle of October, I received an offer from the Bishop of Western Texas, of a position in his jurisdiction. I accepted the offer, and arrived in Seguin, Monday, November 22, 1880.

Before my resignation -- Burials 3; Confirmed, 3; Public Services (Sundays 33, Holy Days, 12, other days, 13), 58, Holy Communions, public, 12; Catechizing, number of children, 35, number of times, 12.

Offerings -- Sunday School, \$1.91; for Christmas tree, \$15, from a friend for same, \$15, from a friend, a cross of flowers for Easter, value \$15; sundries, \$7; from the Rector of St. Paul's Church, Troy, N. Y., to be applied to debt on School, \$20. Total, \$78.91.

## (C.)

LIST OF PARISHES IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION  
OF THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY, WITH THE DATES OF  
THEIR ADMISSION.

## ALBANY COUNTY.

St. Peter's Albany, 1787; Trinity, Kenseelaerville, 1811; St. Paul's, Albany, 1820, with St. Paul's Chapel, Albany; St. John's, Cohoes, 1831. Trinity, West Troy, 1834, Trinity, Albany, 1840, Grace, Albany, 1846, Holy Innocents, Albany, 1850; St. Mark's, Green Island, 1867, Cathedral of All Saints, Albany, 1874.

## CLINTON COUNTY.

Trinity, Plattsburgh, 1830; Christ, Rouses Point, 1858; St. John's, Champlain, 1858.

## COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Christ, Hudson, 1794, with All Saints' Chapel, Hudson; St. John's, Stockport, 1845, with St. Barnabas' Chapel, Stottville; St. Paul's, Kinderhook, 1851; St. John's, Copake, 1853; Trinity, Claverack, 1856.

## DELAWARE COUNTY.

St. Peter's, Hobart, 1796, St. John's, Delhi, 1823; Christ, Walton, 1831; St. Paul's, Franklin, 1866. Christ, Deposit, 1871.

## ESSEX COUNTY.

Of the Cross, Ticonderoga, 1840; St. John's, Essex, 1853, St. Paul's, Keeseville, 1853; Christ, Port Henry, 1873.

## FRANKLIN COUNTY.

St. Mark's, Malone, 1831; St. Peter's, Brush's Mills, 1870; St. John's, Chateaugay, 1875.

## FULTON COUNTY.

St. John's, Johnstown, 1796.

## GREENE COUNTY.

St. Luke's, Catskill, 1801; Christ, Coxsackie, 1806; Trinity, Athens, 1806; St. Paul's, Oak Hill, 1816; Christ, Greenville, 1825, Trinity, Windham, 1826; Calvary, Cairo, 1832.

**HERKIMER COUNTY.**

Trinity, Fairfield, 1807; Grace, Norway, 1819; Emmanuel, Little Falls, 1823; Christ, Herkimer, 1854; St. Augustine's, Ilion, 1870.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY.**

St. Ann's, Amsterdam, 1836; Zion, Fonda, 1867.

**OTSEGO COUNTY.**

Zion, Morris, 1793; St. Luke's, Richfield, 1803; St. Matthew's, Unadilla, 1810; Christ, Cooperstown, 1812; Christ, Butternuts, 1834; Immanuel, Otego, 1836; St. Timothy's, Westford, 1839; St. Mark's, Garrattsville, 1843; Grace, Cherry Valley, 1846; St. John's, Richfield Springs, 1850; St. John's, Portlandville, 1869; Christ, West Burlington, 1871; St. Paul's, East Springfield, 1871; St. James', Oneonta, 1877.

**RENSSELAER COUNTY.**

St. Paul's, Troy, 1807, with St. Paul's Chapel, Troy; Trinity, Lansingburgh, 1807; St. John's, Troy, 1831; Christ, Troy, 1837; St. Mark's, Hoosick Falls, 1840; Trinity, Schaghticoke, 1846; Messiah, Greenbush, 1853; St. Luke's, Troy, 1867.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY.**

St. John's, Ogdensburgh, 1820; St. Paul's, Waddington, 1824; Christ, Morristown, 1833; Trinity, Potsdam, 1835; Grace, Canton, 1836; Grace, Norfolk, 1844; Trinity, Gouverneur, 1869; St. John's, Massena, 1870; St. Luke's, Lisbon, 1871.

**SARATOGA COUNTY.**

Christ, Ballston Spa., 1787; St. John's, Stillwater, 1796; St. Paul's, Charlton, 1805; Grace, Waterford, 1810; St. Luke's, Mechanicville, 1830; Bethesda, Saratoga Springs, 1830; St. Stephen's, Schuylerville, 1846; Calvary, Burnt Hills, 1850.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY.**

Christ, Duanesburgh, 1789; St. George's, Schenectady, 1792; Christ, Schenectady, 1869.

**WARREN COUNTY.**

Messiah, Glen's Falls, 1840, with St. Paul's Chapel, Harrisena; St. James' Caldwell, 1855; Holy Cross, Warrensburgh, 1865; St. Mary's, Luzerne, 1867.

**WASHINGTON COUNTY.**

Zion, Sandy Hill, 1813; Trinity, Granville, 1815; St. James', Fort Edward, 1845; St. Paul's, Salem, 1860; Trinity, Whitehall, 1866; St. Luke's, Cambridge, 1867; St. Paul's, Greenwich, 1875.

**ORGANIZED MISSIONS.**

**ALBANY COUNTY.**

Good Shepherd, Bethlehem.

**CLINTON COUNTY.**

St. Paul's, Moore's Forks; St. Peter's, Ellenburgh; St. Luke's, Chazy; St. John's, Salmon River; all with Consecrated Buildings.

**ESSEX COUNTY.**

Emmanuel, Mineville; St. James's, Ausable Forks, both with Consecrated Buildings; Good Shepherd, Bloomingdale.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY.**

St. Mark's, West Bangor; St. James', Hogansburgh; St. John's in the Wilderness, St. Regis Lake; St. Luke's, the Beloved Physician, Saranac Lake, all with Consecrated Buildings.

**FULTON COUNTY.**

Christ, Gloversville.

**HAMILTON COUNTY.**

Good Shepherd, Raquette Lake.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY.**

Holy Cross, Fort Plain; Good Shepherd, Canajoharie.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY.**

Trinity Chapel, Morley; St. Thomas, Lawrenceville, both with Consecrated Buildings, St. Mary's, Colton, Grace, Louisville, St. Joseph's, West Stockholm; All Saints', Barnhart's Island; St. Andrew's, Norwood.

**SARATOGA COUNTY.**

St. John's, East Line.

**WARREN COUNTY.**

Good Shepherd, Chester.

**PARISHES NOT IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION.****COLUMBIA COUNTY.**

St. Luke's, Clermont, incorporated July 12, 1859; Church of our Saviour, New Lebanon, incorporated May, 1871.

**FULTON COUNTY.**

Redeemer, Northampton, incorporated 1871.

**HERKIMER COUNTY.**

Memorial Church, Middleville (not organized.)

**RENSSELAER COUNTY.**

Holy Cross, Troy, Free Church of the Ascension, Troy, Free Church of the Epiphany, East Albany.

**SARATOGA COUNTY**

St. John's, Conklingville.

**SCHOHARIE COUNTY.**

St. Luke's, Middleburgh; Trinity Church, Sharon Springs.

**WARREN COUNTY.**

St. Sacrament, Bolton.

**WASHINGTON COUNTY.**

Grace Church, Crandell's Corners

NON-REPORTING PARISHES.

Christ, Deposit,  
Of the Cross, Ticonderoga,  
St. Paul's, Keeseville,  
Trinity, Ashland,  
Grace, Norway,

Zion, Morris,  
St. Mark's Church, Garrattsville,  
St. Luke's Church, Richfield,  
St. John's, Stillwater,  
St. Luke's, Mechanicville  
St. James', Lake George.

NON-REPORTING CLERGY.

The Rev. J. H. Brown,  
The Rev. W. L. Bull,  
The Rev. E. Coan,  
The Rev. J. B. Colhoun,  
The Rev. W. H. Cook,  
The Rev. H. Cooke,  
The Rev. C. C. Fiske,

The Rev. G. C. Griswold,  
The Rev. H. C. Hutchings,  
The Rev. C. H. Lancaster,  
The Rev. E. N. Potter, D. D., LL. D.,  
The Rev. J. B. Tibbits,  
The Rev. C. H. Vandyne.  
The Rev. E. Webster,  
The Rev. P. Williams, S. T. D.

(D.)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE SALARY OF THE BISHOP FOR THE YEAR 1880.

Received from Parishes balances due of 1879 assessments.

NAME OF PLACE.	Parishes.	Amount.
Brush Mills .....	St. Peter's .....	\$4 00
Hogansburgh .....	St. James' .....	6 00
Little Falls .....	Emmanuel .....	14 00
Troy .....	Holy Cross .....	100 00
Lansingburgh .....	Trinity .....	50 00
Duanesburgh .....	Christ .....	40 00
East Albany .....	Epiphany .....	5 00
Massena .....	St. John's .....	6 00
Athens .....	Trinity .....	20 00
Butternuts .....	Christ .....	6 00
Claverack .....	Trinity .....	8 00
Total ....		\$254 00

Received on account 1880.

NAME OF PLACE.	Parishes.	Paid as- sessments.	Total.	Due.
ALBANY COUNTY:				
Albany .....	All Saints' Cathedral .....	\$150 00		
	St. Peter's .....	150 00		
	St. Paul's .....	100 00		
	Grace .....	24 00		
	Trinity .....			\$20 00
	Holy Innocents. . . . .			80 00
Green Island .....	St. Mark's .....	10 00		
Rensselaerville .....	Trinity .....	6 00		
West Troy .....	Trinity .....	28 00		
CLINTON COUNTY:				
Champlain .....	St. John's .....			
Plattsburgh .....	Trinity .....			
Rouses Point .....	Christ .....			



## Bishop's Salary — Received on account 1880 — (Continued.)

NAME OF PLACE.	Parishes.	Paid assessments	Total	Due.
<b>COLUMBIA COUNTY:</b>				
Opake .. .. .	St. John's .. .. .	.....		\$12 00
Clermont .. .. .	St. Luke's .. .. .	\$3 00		3 00
Claverack .. .. .	Trinity .. .. .	6 00		
Stockport .. .. .	St. John's .. .. .	50 00		
Hudson .. .. .	Christ .. .. .	60 00		
Kinderhook .. .. .	St. Paul's .. .. .	25 00		
Lebanon Springs ..	Our Saviour .. .. .	.....		6 00
			\$145 00	
<b>DELAWARE COUNTY:</b>				
Delhi .. .. .	St. John's .. .. .	\$30 00		
Deposit .. .. .	Christ .. .. .	6 00		
Franklin .. .. .	St. Paul's .. .. .	.....		20 00
Hobart .. .. .	St. Peter's .. .. .	12 00		
Walton .. .. .	Christ .. .. .	30 00		
			78 00	
<b>ESSEX COUNTY:</b>				
Ausable Forks ..	St. James' .. .. .	\$16 00		
Essex .. .. .	St. John's .. .. .	12 00		
Keseeville .. .. .	St. Paul's .. .. .	10 00		
Ticonderoga .. .. .	Church of the Cross ..	.....		6 00
Port Henry .. .. .	Christ .. .. .	6 00		
Schroon .. .. .	St. Andrew's .. .. .	2 00		2 00
			46 00	
<b>FRANKLIN COUNTY:</b>				
Brush's Mills .. ..	St. Peter's .. .. .	\$8 00		
Malone .. .. .	St. Mark's .. .. .	30 00		
Hogansburgh .. ..	St. James' .. .. .	.....		*6 00
Chateaugay .. .. .	St. John's .. .. .	.....		6 00
St. Regis Lake .. ..	St. John's .. .. .	2 00		2 00
			40 00	
<b>FULTON COUNTY.</b>				
Johnstown .. .. .	St. John's .. .. .	.....	40 00	
Northampton .. ..	Redeemer .. .. .	.....		6 00
<b>GREENE COUNTY.</b>				
Athens .. .. .	Trinity .. .. .	\$20 00		
Catskill .. .. .	St. Luke's .. .. .	30 00		
Cairo .. .. .	Calvary .. .. .	6 00		
Coxsackie .. .. .	Christ .. .. .	.....		12 00
Greeneville .. .. .	Christ .. .. .	12 00		
Oak Hill .. .. .	St. Paul's .. .. .	6 00		6 00
Ashland .. .. .	Trinity .. .. .	.....		6 00
			74 00	
<b>HERKIMER COUNTY:</b>				
Fairfield .. .. .	Trinity .. .. .	\$12 00		
Herkimer .. .. .	Christ .. .. .	12 00		
Ilion .. .. .	St. Augustine .. ..	10 00		
Little Falls .. .. .	Emmanuel .. .. .	30 00		
Norway .. .. .	Grace .. .. .	.....		6 00
			64 00	
<b>MONTGOMERY COUNTY:</b>				
Amsterdam .. .. .	St. Ann's .. .. .	\$9 19		14 81
Fonda .. .. .	Zion .. .. .	12 00		
Cannjoharie .. .. .	Good Shepherd .. ..	6 00		
Fort Plain .. .. .	Holy Trinity .. .. .	.....		4 00
			27 19	
<b>OTSEGO COUNTY:</b>				
Butternuts .. .. .	Christ .. .. .	.....		*12 00
Cooperstown .. .. .	Christ .. .. .	\$60 00		
Cherry Valley .. ..	Grace .. .. .	25 00		
Morris .. .. .	Zion .. .. .	.....		26 00
Otego .. .. .	Immanuel .. .. .	12 00		
Oneonta .. .. .	St. James' .. .. .	6 00		
Portlandville .. ..	St. John's .. .. .	6 00		
Richfield Springs...	St. John's .. .. .	12 00		
East Springfield ..	St. Paul's .. .. .	6 00		
West Burlington ..	Christ .. .. .	6 00		
			123 00	
<b>RENSSELAER COUNTY:</b>				
Troy .. .. .	St. Paul's .. .. .	\$250 00		
	St. John's .. .. .	250 00		
	Christ .. .. .	125 00		
	Holy Cross .. .. .	.....		*100 00
	St. Luke's .. .. .	10 00		
	Free Church of Ascension,	10 00		
	St. Paul's Free Chapel ..	2 00		
Boonick Falls .. .. .	St. Mark's .. .. .	26 00		

Bishop's Salary — Received on account 1880 — (Continued.)

NAME OF PLACE.	Parishes.	Paid as- sessment.	Total.	Due.
RENSSELAER COUNTY:				
Lansingburgh .....	Trinity.....	\$50 00		
Greenbush .. .. .	Epiphany .....			\$*4 00
	Messiah.....			24 00
Schaghticoke.....	Trinity .....	5 00		
			\$728 00	
SARATOGA CONNTY:				
Saratoga.....	Bethesda .....	\$40 00		
Burnt Hills .....	Calvary .. ..	12 00		6 00
Charlton .. .. .	St Paul's .....			14 00
Mechanicville .....	St. Luke's .....			
Ballston .. .. .	Christ .....	38 00		
Schuylerville .....	St. Stephen's .....	6 00		5 00
Stillwater .....	St. John's .....		94 00	
SCHENECTADY COUNTY:				
Schenectady .....	St. George.....	\$40 00		
	Christ .....	10 00		
Duanesburgh.....	Christ .....		50 00	*50 00
SCHOHARIE COUNTY:				
Middleburgh .....	St Luke's .....	\$4 00		
Sharon Springs.....	Trinity .....	20 00	24 00	
ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY:				
Canton.....	Grace .....	\$14 00		
Gouverneur .....	Trinity.....	20 00		*6 00
Massena .. .. .	St. John's .....			
Morristown.....	Christ .. ..	20 00		
Ogdensburgh .....	St. John's .....	70 00		
Potsdam.....	Trinity.....	38 00		
Waddington.....	St. Paul's .....	12 00		
Morley .. .. .	Trinity .....	6 00		
Lisbon .. .. .	St. Luke's .....			4 00
Barnhart Island.....	All Saints' .....			4 00
Madrid.....	St. Phillip's.....			4 00
Colton .....	St. Mary's .....		180 00	4 00
WARREN COUNTY:				
Bolton .. .. .	St. Sacrament.....	\$10 00		
Caldwell .. .. .	St. James' .....			10 00
Glen's Falls .....	Messiah .....	24 00		*6 00
Luzerne .. .. .	St. Mary's .....			
Warrensburgh .....	Holy Cross.....	32 00		
Conklingville .....	St. John's .....	6 00		
Chester .. .. .	Good Shepherd .....	4 00	76 00	
WASHINGTON COUNTY:				
Cambridge .....	St. Luke's .....			6 00
Fort Edward .....	St. James' .....	\$30 00		
Salem .. .. .	St. Paul's .....	20 00		
Sandy Hill.....	Zion.....	30 00		
Whitehall .....	Trinity .....	7 00		*7 00
Granville .....	Trinity.....		87 00	6 00
Total collections.....			\$2,612 19	
Am't assessments paid 1880, .....		\$2,358 19		
Am't unpaid 1880.....		542 81		
Total assessment 1880....		\$2,901 00		

\* Paid since the close of this report.

+ Paid \$6.

To remitted to J. H. VAN ANTWERP, Treasurer.

1880.	April 3.	Cash on account 1879.....	\$254 00
		do do 1880.....	224 00
	20.	do do 1880.....	155 00
May	11.	do do 1880 .....	137 00
July	7.	do do 1880.....	168 27
Aug.	3.	do do 1880.....	155 00
Oct.	4.	do do 1880 .....	585 78
	20.	do do 1880.....	237 00
Nov.	11.	do do 1880.....	200 00
Dec.	31.	do do 1880 .....	405 00
1881	Jan. 8.	do do 1880.....	

January 8, 1881.  
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For the Comm<sup>tee</sup>

(E.)

# REMARKS OF REV. S. B. BOSTWICK, S. T. D., ON THE SUPPORT OF AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY. (See page 97.)

Mr. PRESIDENT — I think it needs not to be argued, that the salaries of many of the Clergy of this Diocese are only equal to their necessary current expenses. These salaries range from \$600 to \$1,000 a year. Any man who has carried an ordinary family through a year on either of these sums, or any intermediate one, knows that there will be very little left to be laid by at the end of the year. The most of our Clergy enter the ministry with little if any thing in hand. Nine years of study and preparation usually exhaust a young man's resources, and he enters upon his ministerial profession empty handed. He goes through his appointed course of work, and finds himself at its close much as he was at the beginning. He has been laying up treasures, it is true, but they are not "treasures upon earth."

What, then, is the prospect of a Clergyman, as he approaches the close of the days of his age — his three score years and ten? He may be in possession of a parish and a salary. If he dies in the harness, it is well; but if it is appointed to him to lay aside his harness, and to pass through the twilight of life before his sun goes down, and serve by waiting, that period, which ought to be one of rest and quietness, may, with all his faith and trust, be a period of anxiety and perhaps distress. He feels that the infirmities of age are pressing upon him. He is not what he once was in the work of his Parish. He hears, or imagines he hears, the whisper going round, "Our Rector is getting old, he is not equal to his work, we need a younger and more active man." These remarks may be made with all respect and affection for an aged pastor — made by those who are anxious for the welfare of the Parish, and *because* they are anxious for it, the Rector himself feels their force. He comes to the conclusion that he must resign his Parish at whatever cost, rather than allow his connection with it to hinder it. He resigns it, and with it, of course, goes his salary.

What follows? The trustees of the fund for the relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, are able to offer him a stipend of \$300 per annum. He has, perhaps, been receiving \$1,000 a year. There is an immediate stop of \$700 income, and \$300 must be made to do what \$1,000 has hitherto been doing. Must not such a change produce distress? The friends of an aged Clergyman may rally around him, and he may be willing to accept their kind offices for a time, but being a sensitive and conscientious man, he cannot do it permanently. He must seek some support to which he feels that he is justly entitled. The Church for which he has labored so many years ought to furnish such support, but in default of it, he turns to the next resource. That is the county. A tax is laid upon the county every year for the support of its poor. Perhaps the Clergyman has himself contributed something to this tax. If so, he feels that he has a just and legal claim upon its benefits. The doors of the poor-house are open to him, and he can enter them, and retain his dignity and self respect, which he can hardly do while dependent on the charity of friends.

But how is the Church affected by this procedure? She is disgraced. It is a burning shame, that she should receive the labors of a Clergyman for thirty or forty years upon a bare living, and when he is too old, or too infirm to labor longer, *turn him off* into the county house. Is there any need of it? By no means.

There is abundant ability in the Church to prevent such a shame. The State commits no such wrong. She provides her "Soldiers' Homes," and Sailors' Snug Harbors, and retires her officers upon half pay, and her judges upon pensions. The Church ought to have as deep a sense of justice, and as broad a charity as the State. And she has, if we of the Clergy only do our duty, and have the skill and wisdom to bring out the Church's sense of gratitude and kind feeling. Look at the magnificent things which the Church in this Diocese does in other directions. See the amount of offerings of some of the leading parishes. Here are the statistics of one of them. The total amount reported for the year 1879 was \$11,313.75. Yet out of that noble sum, only \$5 were given for the relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen. Here is another whose total amount for the same year was the still grander sum of \$19,996.89, taken up for no less than twenty-nine different objects in all parts of the world, and yet what was given to the Aged and Infirm Clergy of this Diocese? Nothing. Here is another, \$15,712.60. How much for our Aged and Infirm Clergy? Nothing. Here is another, \$11,906.97. How much for Aged and Infirm Clergy? \$26.24. That is better. Here is still another, \$19,368.45. For Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$26.24. The aggregate offerings of these five Parishes amounted in that year to the munificent sum of \$78,358.66, yet out of it all, the amount given to Aged and Infirm Clergy was \$57.48. While out of the whole offerings of the Diocese, amounting to no less than \$240,118.21, the portion given to those men who had worn themselves out in the service of the Church, was \$308.16.

Where, sir, is the fault? It is not from any want of generosity in the Church people of the Diocese, whether Clergy or Laity. The statistics which I have read, abundantly prove that. No, sir, it is from mere inadvertence, oversight, unintentional neglect. I think, therefore, that there is propriety in the resolution proposed, that the Clergy be earnestly requested to present this subject to their congregations, and that the Laity be respectfully asked for liberal contributions, to increase the fund for the relief of the Aged and Infirm Clergymen of this Diocese.

(F.)

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Clergy (Bishop, 1, Priests, 103, Deacons, 14) .....	118
Ordinations (Deacons, 8, Priests, 4) .....	12
Candidates for Orders (for the Deacon's Order, 9, for the Priest's Order, 13) .....	18
Postulants.....	10
Lay Readers licensed. ....	9
Churches Consecrated .....	1
Corner stones laid .....	2
Missions organized .....	2
* Families .....	5,628
* Individuals (Adults, 11,110, Children, 6,155, not designated, 1,558).....	18,823
Baptisms (Adults, 350, Infants, 1,208).....	1,558
Confirmations.....	866
Communicants (admitted, 553, received, 264, died, 209, removed, 377), present number.....	12,776
Marriages .....	408
Burials.....	792
Churchings .....	10
Sunday School teachers.....	1,192
Sunday School pupils.....	10,135
Parish School teachers .....	42
Parish School pupils .....	429

\* About one-quarter of the Reports do not include the figures for the year 1880.



## OFFERINGS.

<i>Parochial</i>		
Alms . . . . .	\$8,161 14	
Current Expenses . . . . .	138,808 12	
Other Purposes . . . . .	75,249 49	
		<u>\$222,218 75</u>
<i>Diocesan.</i>		
Diocesan Missions . . . . .	\$11,588 71	
Salary of the Bishop. . . . .	2,612 19	
Diocesan Fund . . . . .	1,425 02	
Bible and Prayer Book Society . . . . .	244 01	
Episcopal Fund . . . . .	18 67	
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund . . . . .	352 81	
Fund for Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.	174 07	
Orphan House of the Holy Saviour . . . . .	1,603 88	
The Child's Hospital . . . . .	830 28	
Theological Education . . . . .	523 49	
Other Purposes . . . . .	3,059 99	
		<u>\$3,028 12</u>
<i>General.</i>		
General Theological Seminary . . . . .	\$19 36	
Domestic Missions . . . . .	1,817 30	
Foreign Missions. . . . .	1,256 73	
Indian Missions . . . . .	761 33	
Home Missions to Colored Persons . . . . .	165 84	
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		<u>6,505 93</u>
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DIOCESE OF ALBANY.

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# Bishop's Convention Address.

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ADDRESS

OF THE

# BISHOP OF ALBANY.

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All Saints Cathedral Chapel, Albany, N. Y.,

Tuesday, January 11, A. D. 1880.

I come to you to-day, my dear brethren of the Clergy and Laity, with the double duty of setting before you the records of my work in the past year, and of bringing to you the echoes of that greater gathering of our American Church, in which your Bishop and your elected Deputies took their seats in October. It is our thirteenth Convention, and the General Convention was the twenty-ninth gathering of that representative body whose size represents, as nothing else perhaps does, the growth of the Church in the first century of its national existence. This last meeting certainly represented admirably the spirit and the strength of the Church; the "spirit of power and of love and of a sound mind," and the strength of that sort of building which is completed upon the old foundations; foundations of Catholic truth and Apostolic order which rest upon *the* Rock.

We shall take different views undoubtedly as to the relative value of results, and as to the extent of loss which grows from what the Convention failed, or refused to do. I am myself, most sorry for the loss

of four measures. I had greatly hoped, that some progress, at least, might be reported in the matter of the division of this great continent into Provinces. It is not a theoretical measure to my mind, and it is only a decision deferred. The cumbersome unwieldiness of the great House of Deputies, the difficulty of keeping it at business, the trouble of its entertainment, the actual inequality of representation in its constituency, are facts whose pressure grows stronger every year. They operate to hinder certain most important things. Dioceses are not created that might be, and that ought to be, for fear of increasing its size. And yet the problem of the increase of the Missionary Episcopate cannot be fully solved, till the great jurisdictions shall be encouraged to organize into Dioceses or to divide themselves into two; one Diocese and one Missionary District, dividing the expense of the Episcopate. The Provincial system is marvellously muddled in some men's minds. It is the very strongest hindrance to any usurped domination to-day, as it was always the great bulwark against the Papacy. In fact the first step towards the Roman domination was the absorption of the Provinces by the subjugation of the different Metropolitans in Italy; the truth being that at the end of the fourth century, out of twelve Provinces with independent Metropolitans, only two, Sardinia and Sicily, had not been swallowed up by the Bishop of Rome. And yet it is considered very Romish by some people. Again it is objected that it will break up the fellowship of the Church. But there is no necessary connection between the Provincial system, and any less frequency of meeting in General Convention. My own judgment is against any change except in the constituency of the House of Deputies, which should represent not Dioceses, but Provinces; and that, in a representation proportionate to the number of their clergy and communicants. And still again it is claimed, that no sufficient distinctness of duties can be assigned to the three bodies, the Diocese, the Province and the General Convention. But that is gratuitous assumption. Taking away from the Diocese the power of law-making and leaving it to be busy with its Missionary and financial affairs; giving to the Province all power of making canons involving discipline, the joint control of general funds and provincial institutions and the right to establish a Court of Appeal; and leaving to the General Convention all power to decide upon the authorized version of Holy Scripture and upon the Book of Common Prayer; to deal with the great Missionary interests; to care for foreign chaplains, and for the daily enlarging importance of our relations with Reforming Catholic Synods abroad, would simply give to each body its suitable and sufficient occupation, and secure more careful action upon the subjects with which each body had to deal. I believe the correction of mistaken notions and the manufacture of true opinion on this subject is an important duty of the *thinkers* and teachers and writers of the day; and I hope some efforts

and some effects in that direction will have been made, before the meeting of the next General Convention.

I greatly regretted, too, the failure of the two carefully considered canons on the discipline of the laity, and on Deaconesses and Sisterhoods. Of the first, it is certainly safe to say, that with our Book of Canons filled up with provisions for the discipline of Bishops and Clergy, it is time some provision were made for the *possible* case of a layman needing discipline. Besides this, there are questions of protection for the laity involved. The vagueness of the ante-communion rubric leaves too much variety of interpretation, to be safely trusted in the hands of inexperienced and untrained clergymen. And laymen have had to feel, and may have still more to feel, that in addition to the resort to the Ordinary, they will be surer of justice under a more detailed definition of causes for and processes of ecclesiastical discipline. The quieter and calmer consideration of more mature thought will change the hasty action, which, by non-concurrence, without conference and without consideration, defeated the law.

A very curious combination defeated the canon on Sisterhoods: an unwillingness on the part of some people to recognize religious orders in the Church, and the extreme anxiety of some others lest the Bishops should have some power of ruling. My own judgment has not varied from the first, as I have before put myself on record here and in the House of Bishops. To enact laws which recognize Deaconesses and ignore Sisterhoods is, in my opinion, to reflect unfairly upon the great value of associated work in women; while, on the other hand, to have the self-will of organized bodies of women choosing their own Superior, subject to foreign authority, selecting a chaplain to represent their own preferences and defying the authority of the Episcopate, is to repeat a mistake which has reacted in the case of Roman religious orders, till, through monastic and conventual assumptions, the breach came which lost England, thank God, to the Papacy; and now, in spite of their good works, has made religious orders in Italy, Germany and France, odious and obnoxious to the governments, and subjected them to civil incivilities and cruelties which they would gladly exchange, when it is too late, for Episcopal control.

Strangely enough, too, for lack of time and consistent thought, the commission to revise, or rather to examine, with reference to revision, the Constitution of the Church, was rejected by the same body which went on to create the committee to examine, with reference to enrichment, the Book of Common Prayer. Surely the integrity of the Prayer Book is more organic, even, than the Constitution of the Church, and cannot be reached in any integral way, but by constitutional changes.

Over against these failures and shortcomings, as to legislation, are to be set the gains and advantages. And they were not a few.

Shall we not speak first of the marked and marvellous contrast between the condition of the Church in America and the Church of England, as shown in this Convention? *There*, excitement, uncertainty, anxiety, cumbrous complications, difficult to untie, which bind the hands of spiritual rulers; tedious delays, which, by their waste of time, let incipient diseases run on into chronic and incurable distempers; the absence of distinctively spiritual courts; the powerlessness of ecclesiastical synods; the angry array of contending partisans; the peace of congregations at the mercy of non-resident intruders, and the pitiful and painful culmination of all, in that act which discredits and dishonors the Christianity, the religious liberty, and the civilization of the nineteenth century, of civil penalties inflicted and enforced, by courts of lay judges, upon "spiritual persons," for ecclesiastical offences! Thank God, these things are not of the essence of the Church of England, either in her glorious character as a true portion of the Catholic Church, or in her grand position as the national Church of the great Christian empire of the world. They are partly the incidents of a period of intense religious activity, and partly, the trials by which the Lord is purging the branches of the true vine "that bear fruit, that they may bring forth more fruit." We should be readier with sympathy and with prayer, than with judgment and condemnation. The Bishop of Peterborough's suggestion at the last Church Congress in Leicester, and the Bishop of Edinboro's warm recognition of the value of our synods, strengthen my judgment of two years ago, "that the hope of the future of the Church of England lies in an increased representation in Convocation, with lay representatives, and larger powers of ecclesiastical legislation; and in the division of Dioceses, with an enlarged episcopate."

*Here*, gradual and quiet processes of law, or the surer and safer powers of influence, have brought about an atmosphere of comparative clearness, in which extremes do not flourish; while the troublesome questions of parochial administration, and the annoying difficulties of insufficient funds, seem to be opening towards a solution.

In greater contrast, and with greater thankfulness, I recall to you the difference between such a gathering as ours, with standards of doctrine settled in absolute accord with the pure days of primitive Faith and Order, and the incoherent amalgamation of the great body of Christians, distinguished for learning and personal piety, who gathered at the meeting of the Evangelical Alliance, to discuss, at this late day, some common basis of articulate belief; and were unable to unite upon terms or in the act of Communion; or, even, it is said, to agree about the form of an ascription to the Blessed Trinity. Differences of opinion and practice among us are many, as they are inevitable and desirable; but *there is actual agreement in essentials, and acknowledged intercom-*

munion between the English and Colonial Churches and ourselves; and with the old Catholics of the Continent of Europe.

The brief summary which I can give here shows, among other valuable results, the following points of real gain.

The permissive use of the new Lectionary, saving and excepting, always, the loss of the Passover Scriptures on Easter Day seems to me a clear gain, and one for whose advantages, we are largely indebted to the clerical deputy from this Diocese, who was on the Lectionary Commission. The proposed permission for Shortened Services, reached in an awkward and roundabout way, because some people will not see that the twenty-second Canon is our Act of Uniformity, must be valuable, in providing for busy people an act of worship complete in all its parts, which they can get into the possibilities of their crowded days; and in securing, for Mission Stations or places where the Church is little known, a service, shorter, less formal and more easily followed.

The Commission, known as the Joint Committee on liturgical enrichment, is, of course, simply a tentative movement. With an unfortunate name, and an unnecessary *raison d'être*, "the fact that this Church is about to enter the second century of its organized existence in this country," it nevertheless looks toward an important result, in a wise way. Some old liturgical losses cry out to be repaired; some larger provision for marking and keeping neglected days; some more appointments for Special Prayers, Prefaces, and Thanksgivings; some verbal restorations, and even grammatical corrections, which the intense caution of extreme conservatism has hindered heretofore, these are matters of consequence to the Church. Instead, therefore, of the hasty and undigested suggestions of individuals, and the patchy possibilities of changes from time to time, it is far better that all proposals should be considered in Committee and presented as a harmonized whole. This is all. The Committee is appointed and authorized to examine and report *if*, which must involve examining and reporting *what*, alterations are demanded. I need hardly say, and yet it may be wise to say, that such a Commission will not care to touch doctrinal standards or doctrinal statements in Creed or Office.

The reports of the Joint Commission on the subject of the Marriage with Relatives, and the action of the Convention upon them, were all, that in my judgment could be expected or desired, at this stage of the discussion. They stand side by side, the report of the majority of six, and the report of the minority of two; and the English Table, to which they both refer, is printed in full. And so, that part of this Church's office is renewed, which has been in abeyance since 1805, of teaching her people what the Ecclesiastical law of marriage has been, for *centuries*. It begins to do away with the only real objection to our reassertion of that law, that it would bear hardly upon those who, in

good faith and without knowledge of its wrong, had contracted forbidden marriages. We must teach people, as we have neglected to teach them, and it would be gross injustice to make an *ex post facto* application; even in thought, of this old law of marriage, or give it operative force *with discipline*, until a generation has been taught its principles. Unless this is God's Law, Christendom has been strangely blind, for centuries. And if it is, our failure to assert it, does not make it *not* God's Law.

What striking memories and what stirring hopes were roused, in the presence and participation in the opening services of the two foreign Bishops! The Bishop of Edinboro' brought back the recollection of that day of small things, when the Concordat and the letter of Consecration were the instruments that gave, not only, the first Bishop to America, but that gave us the most primitive, the most Catholic, the most un-Roman liturgy of modern times; a liturgy of which we are not only possessors but *stewards*; bound, in my judgment to insist upon its characteristic features in all liturgical dealings, with foreign Churches looking to us, for the Episcopate. Bishop Cotterill's official relation to the Church movement of M. Loyson, in France, associated him with Bishop Herzog, in the outlook of the future as well. This old Catholic movement in Germany, Switzerland and France represents, as the result of ten years of struggle, two Bishops, two hundred and twenty Priests, and one hundred thousand enrolled adherents, with more than three hundred thousand souls in actual sympathy. It is a wonder to me, that our people, instead of lingering upon the dreamy unreality of an impossible corporate reunion with Rome, or dallying with the spectral phantom of an Evangelical Alliance, do not see, in these quiet movements, the stir of an uprising, that needs the help of sympathy, of avowed and open Ecclesiastical support, and in the case of France, of prompt and liberal gifts of money; movements which promise, by internal and local reform, a revived and restored Catholicity in National Churches, independent of Papal corruption or control, whose inter-communion, among all conceivable varieties in non-essential things, shall realize the true organic Oneness of the Body of Christ.

The Bishops have had the opportunity this year, to rise to a recognition of the place and position, to which every man of us was consecrated, "for the office and work of a Bishop in the Church of God," and to a realization of their powers as Bishops, in a portion of that Church, which is *free*. Their declaration on the subject of Continental Reform is a document of unusual character and unsurpassed importance, among the acts of the American Episcopate. It is a paper, by which a little of the past, and I trust, more in the future, is to be interpreted. I put it on record here, as my own publication of its *teaching*, to this Diocese. And I ask you to notice the Cyprianic



statement, on which its assertion of right and duty turns, "*Episcopatus unus est cujus a singulis in solidum pars tenetur* ;" which Casaubon translates, "the Episcopacy is but one, part of which each Bishop shares so as to have a right in the whole;" which means, as Bishop Fell rendered it, in his annotations two centuries ago, "the Episcopate is so *one* and is so possessed by each, that each Bishop possesses it all in full right." Its application is, that now, as of old, circumstances may arise of corrupted faith or violated order, or both, not only allowing but compelling the exercise, in extra-diocesan ways, by any Bishop or Bishops, of the completeness of that Episcopacy, whose oneness is so distributed among all that it cannot be absorbed in one; and yet so complete in each, that every Bishop has the gift and the grace in its entirety. The historical exercises of this principle have been many, and are well known; notably in the older days, in the cases of Eusebius of Samosata, St. Hilary and St. Cyril. In our own times, the consecrations of Bishop Reinkens and of Bishop Herzog; the covenants, and their attendant actions, with the Churches in Haiti and Mexico, and the Episcopal supervision asked and granted to the Christian Mission undertaken by M. Loyson, in France, are the striking instances. Of course, it is a principle involving risk and responsibility. But surely, the appeal to Eusebius, when Valens, the Emperor, deprived Churches of their pastors, was no stronger than the appeal to Catholic Bishops to-day, when all Dioceses owning Roman dominion are virtually deprived of the primitive Episcopacy by Papal intrusion. And surely the appeal from the Gallican Church, when men that hold the Catholic faith are refused Bishops and Churches and right of worship, unless they submit to the Vaticanized ultramontaniam which defies alike Scripture and Creed and history, is as strong, as when Hilary went to expel the heretical Bishop Auxentius from Milan. The exercise of unusual power is always dangerous. And they who exercise it are rightly held to strict account. But if the power inheres in the office, it means that it *may* be used. And it seems to me, that not only ancient rule and early precedent prove it, but the very characteristic story of the first giving of the Holy Ghost. For that Pentecostal record reads in a very marked and a very meaning way. The cloven tongues, or rather the tongues as of fire, διαμεριζόμεναι γλῶσσαι, parted off as from a central whole, appeared; but it is not written, *they* or *one* of them sat upon the head of each, but *IT* sat upon the head of each, ἐκάθισε τε ἐφ' ἑνὰ ἑκάστον αὐτῶν. From Christ the Lord, the central whole, parted the tongues. But the total gift *in solidum* was to each one. The passage, as Bishop Fell truly says, condemns the innovators, on either part; "alike those who, instead of *one Episcopate*, wish to have *one Bishop* of the whole world; and those who wish to have no Episcopate at all." It is not imitating the Pope to send a Bishop to Mexico, for instance, or to extend the oversight and



the office of the Episcopate into France. It is only the antidote for the bane. And while in a sense each is intrusion, as remedies intrude where disease has intruded before; the one is the intrusion of a "Universal Bishop" holding the Episcopate apart and away from all the rest; and the other, of the individual Bishop sharing the entirety of the Episcopate with every other.

And lastly, let me call your attention to the Missionary character of this General Convention. It created two new Missionary jurisdictions, and filled three, Montana and Washington Territory and the long empty district of New Mexico and Arizona, with Bishops. And instead of relegating the discussion of its Missionary affairs to the late evening sessions, when tired deputies listened to printed reports and technical discussions, and the often good speeches of elected or hereditary members of the Board; the day time of whole days was given to the thrilling and stirring stories of our great Missionary Bishops and to the practical discussion of the work of Missions. The one day, when the Missionary Bishops spoke to that goodly gathering of men, "was better than ten thousand days," of the old-fashioned sessions of the Board of Missions. This Church has reason to thank God for these same Bishops, whose directness and practical power and self-consecration and simplicity and business ability and really thrilling eloquence put us, in this behalf, abreast even of the Church of England, in her roll of dead and living heroes, who have gone forth everywhere. And surely the results show that at home and abroad, with Missionaries Foreign and Domestic, the Lord has gone with them, "confirming the Word with signs following."

It rests with us now, my brethren, to see to it, that all this does not vanish away into empty air. The amounts needed, by closest calculation, to carry the work on, are before the Church. The Board of Managers ask for one hundred and fifty-eight thousand dollars for Foreign Missions, and one hundred and sixty-seven thousand dollars for Domestic Missions for the coming year. No man can dare to say, considering the object to which they go, or the source from which they ought to come, that the sums are large. And yet their securing depends upon the universal and uniform recognition of the duty of giving. The one cause, most of all responsible for want and failure in the past, is that a few Parishes in the Dioceses and a few individuals in those Parishes have done all the giving. More than half the Parishes gave nothing at all last year to Foreign Missions; and two Parishes, Grace Church, New York, and Grace Church, Brooklyn, gave one-seventh of the offerings of this whole Church to its Domestic Missions. Such facts speak for themselves, as to the necessity for some new system of gathering funds, which shall distribute the giving; first, for the sake of larger sums to be secured, and then, for the contingency of the few Parishes falling off; and then, that the blessing of giving may

be extended to a greater number. The Bishop of Maine with a persistent patience and a powerful urgency that did him honour, carried conviction as to the advantages of the subscription plan, to an almost unanimous and hearty endorsement of it. I have called your attention to it, in the Pastoral letter which has gone with the subscription books to every Clergyman in the Diocese. I cannot and I do not care to add any thing to that urgency. It is very easy to object, to find fault, to imagine better ways, to deal with practical questions *à la doctrinaire*. But that plan, by which the two great Missionary Societies of England are in the habit of getting three hundred and fifty thousand pounds sterling for their Foreign Missions, can hardly be faulted as wrong in principle, or poor in practice; without an amount of conceitedness and inconsequence which it is difficult to characterize. I earnestly ask for it, then, a generous and general trial throughout the Diocese at least for three years. And I hope the Rectors and Missionaries will not delay to send for the number of subscription books needed to make the trial thorough.

There are ready here to-day similar books for the gathering of Diocesan Missionary funds. About this, too, I say, with all earnestness and all authority, *something must be done*. The present plan of now-and-then offerings, of perpetual demands upon the Treasurer to make advances, of appeals, of debt, or of sums at the last moment made up, is wearing, unsatisfactory and unworthy of the Diocese. Besides which, the burden is unequally distributed. Changes in Rectorships, which are our constant cross, make immediate and immense differences in the gifts from Parishes. And we are not getting money enough, either to pay our Missionaries the stipends they ought to have, or to make any aggressive steps of advance. There is no Parish in this Diocese, in my judgment, that will not give more if the parishioners are allowed, certainly if they are urged, by the Rectors to subscribe individually to the Mission work of the Diocese. Again I ask for this a three years' trial; and I will be the first to abandon it, or to advise its abandonment, in any places where it fails to increase the interest in, and gifts to, our work.

The establishment of the "American Church Building Fund Commission," aiming at an amount of one million dollars in three years, to be invested, in order that its income, by gifts and loans, may aid in the building of new Churches, is another evidence of energetic interest in Missionary progress. As President of its Executive Committee, I am anxious to further its objects; and while I recognize the pressure upon Albany of close and constant claim, I trust the Convention will take up the proposal to form a Diocesan Auxiliary Association; put it into practical shape; invest it with all the earnestness in its power; and so commend its wise and practical purpose to the generous gifts of Churchmen in the Diocese.

And so we pass naturally to the consideration of other matters connected with the Diocese.

Standing as Janus stood, in the old Roman story, with a face that looked both ways, and we all stand so upon recurring anniversaries and annual gatherings, our look back this year takes in an unwonted number of new graves. Very conspicuous and important men have gone from among our laymen in Troy. The Honorable Francis N. Mann died in less than a month after the last meeting of this Convention. His tall, commanding, venerable figure, with its crown of snowy hair, was no unmeet symbol of the place he filled, in the city which he served with honor, in various trusts, and in the Parish of St. John's, which he loved, truly and generously, from its foundation to the latest hour of his life. Fifty years in its Vestry and forty years its Church-Warden, he proved, by constant benefactions of gift and bequest and unfailing personal service, the truth of his own words, that "next to the welfare of his family, the prosperity of St. John's was most important to him." St. Paul's Church has suffered loss in the death of Mr. John L. Thompson, with whom, for many years, personal ties, direct and indirect, have bound me in most pleasant association; who crowned a life of business integrity and of rare domestic virtue, with a late profession of the religion which, although unavowed, had ruled his life: and in the death of Mr. Peter Thalimer, long prominent and punctual in all Parochial trusts, generously interested in local and Diocesan Missionary work, a man in private life conscientious, humble, and careful as to duty; and alike honored as a citizen in the community, and as a Churchman in the Parish and in the Diocese. In Albany and from the Cathedral, a dear friend to me, a man who had risen prematurely to a high point in a most honorable profession, a "beloved physician," indeed, to very many, and one to whom the Child's Hospital owes much in its early beginnings for counsel and help, Dr. Edward Reynolds Hun, suddenly, and all too soon, as men account it, has been taken away. The death of Mrs. Van Antwerp, a true Christian lady of rare cultivation and taste, and of unfaltering devotion to all claims of religion and mercy, a churchwoman by the consistent habit of her childhood's training, has bereaved the Parish and the Rector of St. Paul's, and the heart and home of our always generous friend, the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund. Apart from other remembrances of her, which are very grateful to me, I was struck with the peculiar fitness with which the last thoughts and the last gifts of her life were spent, upon the adornment of her Parish Church. When the palm branches of the martyrs are finally given, they will not be forgotten who have won their reward by "great patience" under the fiery trial of pain. St. Peter's Church is the poorer for the loss of Mrs. Agur Wells, one of its oldest communicants, ~~with~~ whom my last pastoral duties were most pleasantly associated;

and,—with one of those violent contrasts which make the warnings of our lives,—for the loss of the energetic devotion and self-forgetful interest of a true worker for the Master, in the death of Miss Pierson ; gone, in the fresh bloom and beauty of unsullied youth, to the blessing of “the pure in heart” who “shall see God.” My heart draws your hearts in very tender sympathy toward one, who has brought heart and cheer to us many a time out of his own sunshine of generous expressiveness, shadowed now by this intense sorrow. Out of two Parsonages, always my homes, two women have gone, whose memory lingers fragrantly behind: Mrs. Guion, the widow of a venerable Priest, a mother to my dear brother, Dr. Carey ; whose lovely, holy influence has consecrated her only son to the sacred ministry ; and Mrs. Robert Weeks, whose patient bearing of pain found its reward in her peaceful passage into Paradise, where the songs of the saints must satisfy her tuneful soul. Mrs. Burnet’s death removes from Ticonderoga a person not more venerable from age than from honor. It is gratifying to me to know that she spoke to her faithful Rector, at the time of her last communion, of me and of my coming visitation, when she hoped to see me. She died as she had lived, a Christian lady of the olden time, rich in good works, honoring her husband’s honorable name, true, with a most intelligent love to the Church, and strong in the faith of the Divine Redeemer. The death of Mrs. Tallmadge has deprived the Parish, at Mechanicville, of a true-hearted and devoted Churchwoman, who inherited and honored the Christian character and loyal Churchmanship of her father, the venerable Dr. Tibbits. A faithful woman, long full of interest in all religious things, Miss Allen, has died, in Whitehall, after the double illustration in her life of the power of God’s grace, first, in years of active duty, and then in years of patient suffering. Mr. Nathan Clark, of Athens, a consistent Christian man, many years the Senior Warden of the Parish, found, in the peace and trust of his later days, the blessing of God on his long life of quiet and devoted service to his Master. Mr. Henry Sandford is dead ; identified in later years with the Mechanicville Parish, but whom I remember as the staunch and almost solitary supporter of our Mission work at Northampton ; everywhere in earnest to do for the Church, what his hand found to do. John Thompson, the true-hearted friend of Priest and Bishop, in the Parish of Rouse’s Point, ended, in the peace of a clear faith, a life of simple devotion to duty. Two old men have died in Norwood : Theodore Clark, eighty-two years old, and John Raymond, eighty-four years old ; both confirmed on the same day, more than forty years ago, and both men who had kept what they promised to their Lord their God. Mr. Raymond was among my earliest friends in the Diocese, welcoming me always, at all hours of the day and night, to his hospitable home. A quiet man, of genial sympathies, than whom no firmer Churchman ever lived.

Mr. Chadwick's death, in Cohoes, is a larger and deeper loss to the Church than at first sight seems. Withdrawn, of late, by feeble health, and always withdrawn by a beautiful humility from public notice, he was a true benefactor to the Church; the very right hand of his Rectors, one and all; a dear friend to me; a living illustration of the kind of character which God forms, by His gifts of grace, through the ministries and teachings of this Church. His book-mark was in his Prayer-Book, at the Psalter of the day he died, ready to read the Office, whose antiphon he took up in Paradise; and from his sick-bed, the envelope, with his accustomed offering, was sent to the Altar, to which his due feet never failed to go when he was in health. And since the first falling of the Christmas-tide, news comes to me of the death, in Catskill, of Mr. Charles Trowbridge, for forty-one years Warden of St. Luke's Church, and, to the last, Superintendent of its Sunday School: a saintly man, a faithful servant of the Master; of whom his truly bereaved fellow-vestrymen say, without exaggeration, that "he walked in the commandments and ordinances of the Lord, blameless."

This is a rich list of treasures laid up, for hearts to lift themselves up to, in the other world. And there are doubtless others, of whom I have not heard. I write them here, as I believe God has written them in His book, asking for them the growing peace and light, and for ourselves grace to follow them, as they have followed Christ. And I add to these names, last, but not least, two, whom I specially seek to honour. Eliza Sheerer was for thirty-five years a faithful servant in a Christian home, and had in turn, for years of helplessness, all that that home could give of thoughtful care. The wages of her work, and the savings of her thrift, wisely invested for her, came at her death, by her will, to the charity of her Parish Church, St. Peter's Orphanage, and to the charity of her Cathedral, the Child's Hospital. And as her Rector and I stood beside her coffin, and the children of the Orphanage sang the hymns at her burial, my heart went back to the old days when she was my parishioner, dutiful and faithful always; and back still further, to the time when house servants were *domestics*—part and parcel of the interests and life of home; when masters and mistresses had not forgotten, because they had opportunity to exercise, their Christian duty to their servants; and then on still further, to the thought of the wastefulness of the rich, of gifts withheld during life, and bequests forgotten at death, of what the savings of the wealthy might accomplish; and of the frequent re-enactment of that scene in the treasury, which struck the keen eye of Him, before whom rich and poor alike are to come to judgment, when the widow gave more than the rich man. Another marked and similar instance has come recently to my knowledge from the Parish at Kinderhook. Catharine Johnson came in *early life*, from Norway, and was for years a member of St. Paul's Par-

ish, Kinderhook. She worked, while her strength lasted, in a factory, and then kept a little shop, where poor people had always special favors in credit and small prices. At her death it was found, that after certain bequests to relatives, the Parish inherited by her will a thousand dollars, and whatever else might be collected of her debts. A factory girl and a small shop-keeper bequeathed really, in all, eighteen hundred dollars to the Church. Wisely and thoughtfully, remembering her interest in the Sunday School, the Vestry commemorated her first, in a beautiful font: the place of the birth of the children of God, and of their admission into His earthly kingdom, reminds men of the death of this child of God and of her entrance into His invisible kingdom. The rest of the money was expended upon improving and adorning the House of God, which this faithful woman loved, and in which she had lived her spiritual life on earth, and was prepared for the life eternal. Surely, these are among "the last" in the world's esteem, who "shall be first." These are of those "whose end we fools account to be without honor," "who are numbered among the children of God, and whose lot is among the saints." I pray God to impress these examples upon the men and women of this Diocese.

Since the Convention gathered, news has come of the death of Mr. Charles S. Stuart, a staunch Churchman and an earnest and highly esteemed member of the Parish and Vestry of St. Peter's Church, Hobart; and of the removal from dear old St. George's, in Schenectady, of Mrs. Franchot, well known and honoured in her life of Christian dignity and duty, whose memory, lingering long behind her, will add its own sweetness to the beautiful memorial, which her remembering love had reared to those whom she has now rejoined in Paradise.

Nor can I forbear to go outside of our Ecclesiastical household, but within the broad horizon of our Christian sympathy, and speak, alike for sympathy with the immediate sufferers, and for warning to ourselves, of the startling death of the Rev. Dr. Bartlett, whose recognized position in this community enrols him among the earnest Christian workers, and the honoured and useful citizens, long to be remembered and regretted here.

I thought I had ended this roll of remembrance, when the telegram brought the news, not unexpected, of the death of the Bishop of North Carolina. The shadow of this coming sorrow lay darkly on the House of Bishops, last October, as we missed his beautiful face, his commanding form, the exquisite courteousness of his bearing, his silver voice, his calming, composing influence, and the crystal clearness of his convincing eloquence. But it lies more darkly now, over that empty throne, that bereaved Diocese, that desolated household, and on the hearts of his loving brothers in the Episcopate. There was about Bishop Atkinson, a rare sweetness and tenderness, like the best part of a woman's nature, which won a



chivalrous and romantic love from all of us, while we none the less owned and honoured the courage and clearness and manly vigour of his rare intellectual gifts. And over and under all, the beauty of the holiness of his life, like a Saint's nimbus, irradiated a face and a figure, which none who ever saw, can ever forget, as a type of strength and sweetness and saintliness combined. I remember with a feeling of comfort now, the message of sympathy we sent from the Bishops, gathered in New York, this year to our absent brethren ; and the impressive dignity, with which, according to our new Rule of Order, the Presiding Bishop announced the fact of the deaths of the Bishops of Maryland and New Jersey and Louisiana, without any added word, except the saying of the Collect for All Saints Day. But the anxious thought remained and remains, as one by one, the trusted and the wise counsellors are taken away, who are to fill the empty places ? Thank God, the great Bishop has and needs no vicars, but by the power of the Holy Spirit, is the Personal and ever present Head of His Church.

Among the Clergy, our losses have been many and hard to bear. For the first time in many years, one who had wrought with us, and taken counsel with us for the Master's work, has passed from labor to reward. The Reverend Charles Shepherd Knapp died on the ninth of September. He went to the Adirondack work three years ago, in the hope that the healing atmosphere of that wonderful region might restore his health and prolong his service. And undoubtedly, could he have lived an invalid life, it would. But he was very earnest and energetic, and the long drives, often in intense cold, to and from services, proved too much for his strength ; and he went away, just a year ago, as it turned out, his work all done, to rest a little while, and then, quietly and peacefully to yield up the life, long ago given, to his Lord.

In the other way, which is far the harder for a Bishop to be resigned to, we have lost some of our oldest, in residence, and most valued Priests, Hall and Russell and Danker, Stubbs, Hutchings and Baker ; and of the newer men, Rogers and Coan, Norton and Barker and Picksley, Grannies and Wasson, and Morris and Bull. That is to say, about one-eighth of the Clergy have gone within a year. Insufficient income is the prevalent cause of these removals. But the perpetual change is none the less painful. It takes the heart and hope out of me, more than any other one thing. Personal ties are broken, continuous and systematic administration of the Diocese is made impossible. Parishes are unsettled with long interruptions of services and offerings ; and that wretched spirit of ear-itching with its antithetical devil of ear-tickling, possesses people beyond the power of Episcopal exorcising. There is a definite danger, in the Roman Catholic plan of Episcopal Autocracy, chiefly undesirable ~~to the Bishop.~~ There is a recognized and allowed injury and loss in

the Methodist plan of triennial itinerancy. There is an acknowledged evil and scandal, in the English plan of lay patrons, and livings bought and sold. But in the present working of our way, there is a concentration of possible and probable evils, a concatenation of various capacities of mischief, an ingenious combination of all that is bad in all other known systems, which has in it one condoning element of virtue, namely, that it throws us back upon that kind Providence which takes care of — people that cannot take care of themselves. And we go calmly on, either unwisely, I think, ventilating the difficulty in the newspapers, or constructing some cumbersome, canonical remedy, which is worse than the disease, or letting the matter drift. I have no desire to exaggerate the evil, or to set myself up as a second Daniel. But since the parochial system in this Church is not Congregationalism, it strikes me that the Bishops ought to have something to say about the filling and emptying of the Parishes in their Dioceses. And since the Episcopal system of this Church is not the autocracy of the papal vicars — who, having no independence, assume much authority — but the regulated and distributed and shared responsibility of government, by and with the consent of the Clergy and people; the representatives of Parishes have the inherent and constitutional right to choose their Clergymen. It is foolish to question, because it is impossible to decide, which of the two parties, Bishop and Vestry, has the deeper interest in this important matter. Bishops are supposed to have brains. They are under the most solemn responsibility, and are bound, besides, by every motive of self-interest, to promote harmony and satisfaction in the Parishes. *Their* work suffers when congregations are uneasy, under unwelcome ministrations; or when sudden self-will or restlessness withdraws a man from a Parish, where his success demands the duty of his continuance. And I believe that laymen will come to feel more and more the wisdom of dividing the responsibility with the Bishops, by recognizing Episcopal authority; not, as I am bound to say, it almost uniformly is recognized in this Diocese, as matter of personal influence, but as matter of canonical right. I cannot help thinking that some of our canonists, of whom I am not one, could frame a very simple remedy.

Our own canon XII, in its second section, is as inoperative as canon IV of the Digest. And I am clear that diocesan legislation would not be wise. Indeed, I think the less *Dioceses* make laws, the better. But I wish some people who are inclined and able to frame laws in our General Convention would think of two suggestions: one, a clearer law than canon IV of the Digest, to protect Rectors from inconsiderate Vestries, and to protect Parishes from unwise and harmful vacancies; and the other, allowing the Bishop, when he receives notice of a Rector's resignation, to assent or dissent; and if he assents, authorizing him, if he will, to nominate to the Vestry a certain number of persons,



out of whom the choice shall be made by them. Of course there should be a limit of time within which such nominations should be made; and an alternate right to the Parish, in case of failure to elect, to let the Bishop choose out of certain nominees of the Vestry. Few Bishops can have so little to complain of as I have, as to consultation about vacant Parishes, and I am wedded to no one method of securing relief for what is evidently an evil deeply and widely felt. But, at least, I beg to call the attention of both Clergy and laymen to a forgotten Canon, whose provision is important to protect the Church from the possibilities of Clergymen under discipline, or not lawfully ordained.

“No Minister \* \* \* shall officiate as the Rector, stated Minister or Assistant Minister of a Parish or congregation of the Diocese \* \* \* until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical authority a certificate,” etc. Title 1, Can. 14, § II, of the Digest.

And I venture to commend to the imitation of the Convention the resolution of the Diocese of Connecticut in 1880 :

“Whereas, the custom of Clergymen preaching on trial in vacant Parishes, as candidates for the Rectorship, to the degradation in public estimation of their holy office, is becoming more common, therefore,”—

*Resolved*, that this Convention does hereby urge all Parishes in the Diocese needing a Rector to adopt some other method of becoming acquainted with Clergymen, and does also strongly disapprove any Clergyman's accepting an invitation to officiate in any Church as a known candidate for its Rectorship.”

The appointment of the Committee of the last Convention, whose report I suppose will be presented, indicates, what I have found in my talks with the clergy all through the Diocese, a feeling of dissatisfaction with the present convocational arrangement, both as to the divisions and the duties of the Convocations. I ask the careful and thoughtful consideration of the Convention to this question; and I hope for its free and full discussion. Not wedded to any scheme merely because it exists; yet we shall be wise not to be given to change, for change's sake. It is a serious and important question. And without discussing it here, I venture to suggest that its importance is threefold: first, to arrange into the convocations, not perhaps counties, but places and parishes actually adjacent and in sympathy; secondly, to assign to them definite, actual and practical duties; and thirdly, to leave literary and spiritual matters to such voluntary associations as *may form themselves*. The clergy and lay people are too practical to keep up convocations, for the mere sake of keeping them up. They must commend themselves as useful to the good end for which they were designed, and which they might promote, and which certainly needs promoting, the advancement of the missionary growth and giving in the Diocese.

Another question is, I am glad to say, coming more and more into

prominence in the minds of the clergy, namely, the development and advancement of their spiritual life. "They must be clean who bear the vessels of the Lord." Brought to my attention in various ways, but more recently and formally by an association of clergy from the North, I certainly desire to throw myself into such methods, as may seem wisest for our mutual upbuilding in holiness. But I have felt it wiser to wait, until the Convocation question shall adjust itself, before suggesting or adopting any distinct or definite plan. Only I do feel more and more the need of a deeper spirituality in our lives. It is not merely the question of example, essential as that is; or of the leaven that our lives ought to be, in the mass of those whose necessary absorption in "worldly business and worldly pleasures" surrounds them with temptations from which we are comparatively free. But it enters deeply and intensely into our ability to teach the people committed to our charge. Theological learning, at least theological reading and study, is of incalculable importance; I fear decreasing and diminishing before the over-estimate of shallow popular powers. But if the futile formalness of rhetorical displays, or the dry abstractions of metaphysical discussions in the pulpit are to be replaced by the true preaching of the Word, it is to be brought about by realizing the truth, that "spiritual things are spiritually discerned." It was when "Jesus was alone with His disciples," that it "was given unto them to know the mystery of the kingdom of God," and we have need to be more alone with Him, in prayer and meditation and holiness of life, if we would really learn of Him, and teach the truth as it is in Him. Only the "Holy Spirit; searcheth the deep things of God; and we have need to ask and seek for richer gifts of His illumination if we undertake to draw for thirsty souls "the water of life" out of "the wells of salvation." Call it by what name you please, "quiet day," "*concio ad clerum*," or "retreat;" the gathering of clergy for the study of God's word, for meditation, for prayer and Holy Communion; and, no less, the personal habit of prayer and thought, and looking *in* and *in* to the original language of the Holy Scriptures, are needful to our furnishing for the solemn and awful duties of "ambassadors for Christ," "as though,"—think of it my well beloved brethren—"as though God beseeches men by us;" "Able ministers;" "eye-witnesses and ministers of the Word," "rightly dividing the word of truth," are those whose souls are so attuned to sympathy with heaven, that they catch the inner voice and meaning of the Master's words, as he did, who leaned on Jesu's bosom, and asked and got the answer to the questions about which others doubted and dared not ask.

Let us ask God earnestly to-day that we may go back to our places, and take up our lines, of work again, more than ever keenly alive to the need of the furnishing of our *souls*. To perceive and know what things we ought to say, and "to have grace and power faithfully" and in

their fulness to say them, these are the gifts promised to those "who call upon" Him. And the Epistle's teaching carries on the thought of the renewed consecration to Him of our whole selves, with all our gifts, "a living sacrifice," "a reasonable service," not "thinking of ourselves" too "highly," but "thinking soberly." And over against it stands that most exquisite picture of *the* Childhood, with its double thought; first of our often sitting with patient study in the midst of the inspired Teachers of the Holy Scriptures, hearing them and asking them questions; and then, for this is our greater privilege, of the often and instinctive resort, into the Temple — the Holy Church of God in which — the Witness and Keeper of the Word — Christ sits, the Revealer, and the Teacher of the teachers whom He commissions, "even unto the end of the world." — *Amen.*

Jan. 13. The Twelfth Annual Convention of the Diocese assembled in St. Paul's church, Troy. I delivered in place of the sermon a portion of my Annual Address, and celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Reverend Archdeacons Payne, Carey, Cooke, and Clemson, the Rector of the Parish, and the Secretary of the Convention.

The musical portion of the service, indeed I may say of the *services* was so effective and impressive, so good a model, and so helpful a medium, of worship, that it extorted a special resolution of appreciative gratitude from the Convention itself; and the expression was richly deserved.

The gathering was large. The services were spirited. The hospitalities of Parish and of individuals were lavish. The arrangements to the least detail were admirable. And the crowning act, by which two thousand dollars, given in very large proportion by laymen of Troy, were offered on the Altar, at the close of the missionary meeting on the first evening, made and make memorable this Convention.

The Convention adjourned on the evening of January 14th, after greatly enjoying the gracious and generous hospitality of Mr. James Forsyth.

Jan. 15. The Board of Missions spent the day in a sort of intermittent oscillation between the flush of recent, and the chill of remoter, recollections. Prudence prevailed over enthusiasm. And it was well it did. For though we paid our debt for the past year; and though we lessened rather than enlarged, our appropriations for the year to come; we have had serious difficulty in obtaining the needed money, until the very end of the year, and the Treasurer has been continually in advance of his receipts.

I have determined this year to urge and press upon the Diocese the system of parochial subscriptions for Diocesan Missions. I have addressed a pastoral to the clergy on the subject of missionary subscription *books*, based on the decision of the General Board of Missions to

adopt the subscription plan, for the support of our foreign and domestic work. With all my influence and all my authority, I beg each clergyman in this Diocese instantly upon his return home, to appoint as many solicitors and collectors as he thinks his Parish or his Mission needs, and to begin at once, with the backing of his personal urgency and interest, the effort to get everybody in his cure to pledge and to pay *something*, to the great work of missions in each of its three departments—diocesan, domestic and foreign. We gave, in all, last year, \$4,703.68, to Missions outside the Diocese. Only eight dioceses gave more. But more can be given and ought to be given and will be given, if everybody's interest and everybody's alms are enlisted. I believe the proportion of giving in a Diocese like ours, ought to be largest for our own work which is our unshared duty. But we must share the duty of the other Missions with the Church at large, and I merely enter here, for permanent reference, my pastoral letter to the clergy, and pass on to the story of my immediate work; which has been twice, to my great distress, interrupted by my illness. Disability from work is a new sensation to me. I can hardly set it down to my advancing years. I greatly hope that there has been enough of it in this one year, to free me from its worry for some time to come. And it is no little part of my thankfulness to Almighty God for the mercy of my restoration, that such abundant tokens of affectionate consideration and personal love have been lavished upon me, on every hand. I have learned, I hope, some lessons of prudence. I am sure the Diocese has earned a more unreserved devotion of my strength. I am inclined to ask for the appointment of a committee, upon the proposal which I made last year for a different arrangement of our diocesan Conventions, and I ask the clergy to take notice, that I propose to avoid hereafter the extremely hot months, in my visitations, which I mean this year to commence somewhat earlier; and to continue somewhat later into the autumn.

Jan. 15. I presided at a meeting of the General Chapter of the Cathedral at which the Rev. Geo. W. Dean, S. T. D., was elected Chancellor, and the Rev. T. B. Fulcher, Minor Canon.

Jan. 25. I presided at a meeting of the Trustees of the Fund for the support of Aged and Infirm Clergy.

\*Jan. 29. In the evening I blessed the Parish building for Trinity Church, West Troy, the Rector singing the Evensong. The building is a great addition to the working force of an admirably worked Parish, in which the Rector, like his predecessor, has learned the difficult lesson, of extending the circumference, without neglecting the centre, of his work.

Feb. 2. After a solemn service in the Chapel of the Cathedral, at which a goodly number of people remembered with me the eleventh anniversary of my consecration, I used the service of benediction in the

addition to the Child's Hospital, called St. John's House, in memory of its building and furnishing by most gracious gifts from St. John's Parish, in Troy. The House has been invaluable to us in our work, relieving the Hospital sometimes of its overplus of children, sometimes of a number of children ill with the contagious troubles which enter into all Hospital work. To me, beside, as I looked back that day over the period of my Episcopate, it had an added comfort, as it told of distances bridged and estrangements reconciled, which made difficult the beginning of my work among you.

Grateful for the widespread interest of the past, I renew my request for an offering for the Child's Hospital on one of the Advent Sundays.

Feb. 3. In the afternoon I made my yearly visitation of another admirable charity in the Diocese — the Church Home in Troy. "The boys and girls in the streets of the new Jerusalem" and "the old men with staves in hand for very age" are the type and history of the true charity of the Church of God on earth; which cares now for the young and now for the old, giving to each, in the name of a disciple, what each needs; and sure not to lose its rewards. The statistics of the Church Home and its whole effect that day bear witness to the careful economy and the unstinted care, with which it is administered.

Feb. 4. I organized the mission of the Good Shepherd on the Island of St. Hubert in Raquette Lake. Mr. Wm. W. Durant, to whose energy the undertaking of the work is due, is the Warden, and Mr. Silas Seymour, the Treasurer.

Feb. 8. At night in St. Paul's Free Mission Chapel, Albany, I preached.

Feb. 11. Ash Wednesday. At night I preached in St. John's Church, Troy, before the united clergy and congregations of the City.

Feb. 13. I licensed, as Lay Reader, Mr. C. Tennant Lee under the Rev. Dr. Dean at Schuylerville, and Mr. Rollin Porter under the Rev. Mr. Locke at Saranac Lake.

Feb. 15. First Sunday in Lent, in St. John's Church, Troy, I ordained Priest the Rev. Wm. Morris Barker, Bishop Williams preaching the sermon and celebrating. Mr. Barker was presented by the Rev. Mr. Norton, and the other Priests who united in the laying on of hands were the Rev. Drs. Tucker, Harison and E. N. Potter, and the Rev. Messrs. Caird, Wasson and Breed.

Feb. 18, p. m. In St. George's Church, Schenectady, I preached.

Feb. 24. St. Matthias: I installed the Rev. George W. Dean, S. T. D., as Chancellor of the Cathedral. The Rev. Canons Chapman, Coan and Fulcher were present, and the Rev. Mr. Schwartz; and of the lay members of the Chapter, Messrs. Meads, Corning, Marvin and Hun. The Chancellor celebrated.

Feb. 25. I confirmed one person in private from Grace Church, Albany.

March 14. Fifth Sunday in Lent, in the evening, in the Church of the Holy Innocents, Albany, I preached and confirmed twelve persons. The Rev. Mr. Smith said Evening Prayer.

March 16. In the Cathedral Chapel, I confirmed one person from Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs.

March 17. In the evening in Christ Church, Hudson, the Rector and the Rev. Messrs. Stewart, Fisher and Cook said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed fourteen persons. Every thing connected with the Parish seems hopeful and promising.

March 18. In the morning in Trinity Church, Claverack, the Rev. Messrs. Cook and Tebbetts said Morning Prayer, and I preached, confirmed three persons and celebrated. In the afternoon, in All Saints' Chapel, Hudson, the Rev. Messrs. Tebbetts and Cook said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed four persons; and at night in Trinity Church, Athens, the Rev. Messrs. Stewart and Dexter said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed two persons.

March 19, A. M. In Christ Church, Coxsackie, the Rev. Messrs. Dexter and Stewart said Morning Prayer, and I preached, confirmed three persons and celebrated.

March 20. In Christ Church, Ballston Spa, I made an Address and blessed the new bell of the Church.

March 21. Sunday next before Easter, A. M. In St. Peter's Church, Albany, the Rector said the Litany, and I preached, confirmed twenty-five persons and celebrated. At night, in St. Paul's Church, Albany, the Rev. Drs. Reese and Dean, and Mr. Granniss said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed forty-five persons.

St. Peter's is greatly adorned by the addition to its already beautiful windows, of the beautiful memorial window to General Cooper, and enriched by the enlargement of its organ, now virtually new and full. And St. Paul's has an added beauty, in fact and in association, by the adornments which Mrs. Van Antwerp's unfaltering interest have added to the building.

March 22. In the evening in St. John's Church, Troy, I preached.

March 24. At night in Grace Church, Albany, the Rev. Mr. Schwartz said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed twenty-six persons. I wish some word of mine could reach the ears of Albany churchmen about this Parish. It is more, almost, than any other point, *the* Mission Parish of the city. Hampered by debts and hindered by poverty, the Parish struggles bravely on, and the Rector's patience is equalled only by his energy. But the wealthier Churches ought to lift it up, and set its feet in the large room of unencumbered liberty in its revenues.

March 25. Annunciation B. V. Mary. In the Cathedral Chapel I



preached, admitted Sister Catharine a full Sister of the Sisterhood of the Holy Child Jesus, and celebrated. At night in Trinity Church, Albany, the Rector and I said Evening Prayer, and I preached, catechized the children and confirmed fifteen persons.

March 27. Easter Eve. In the Cathedral Chapel, the Rev. Canons Chapman, Coan and Fulcher sang the Evensong, and I preached and confirmed fifty-three persons (three in private). The more that Canon Coan has gone away from the Cathedral, to the freer and more independent exercise of his pastoral ability, do I feel free to render grateful tribute, not only to his courteous loyalty to me and to my work, but to his musical taste, and to the faithful devotion to duty, which was rewarded with such abundant blessings, in the crowning of the year's work with the goodness of God. Set, in its ugly candlestick, upon a hill, the work of this Cathedral, under every disadvantage, is vindicating the object and the need of its founding. Like the King's daughter, its gloriousness is all within, in the charities and instructions, secular and religious, in services and mission work and offerings, which, some day, some one will find to be the seed, from which the fabric of the future building shall spring. The offertory on the next day — Easter — was in actual money, \$2,000. And I had the pleasure also of offering a subscription book of a completed sinking fund to pay off, in three years, a debt of \$7,250, which was expended in the original fitting of the building. When it is remembered beside this, that this congregation, with very few people in it of wealth, pays nearly one-sixth of the missionary expenses of the Diocese, and pays the interest on the mortgage on the Bishop's house, I think the Diocese should feel itself a debtor to the Cathedral.

March 29. In the evening in Trinity Church, West Troy, the Rector and the Rev. Messrs. Norton and S. E. Smith said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed nineteen people.

April 1. In the evening in the Church of the Messiah, Greenbush, the Rector said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed fifteen persons.

April 2. In the evening in Christ Church, Troy, the Rector and the Rev. Mr. Norton said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed twenty-four persons. The function of the choir in this Parish is one which has eminently earned notice and commendation. What it has added to the impressiveness and attractiveness of the services is plain to every worshipper. But beside this, it shares, with very few chorus choirs that I know of, the enviable distinction of having promoted devoutness of worship and religious interest among its own members. In ten years, with only such change as the passing of time makes inevitable, it has held together over forty men and women, really giving themselves to the service of God and the spiritual edify-

ing of man, leading, promoting and sharing the peoples' privilege of worshipping the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

April 4. First Sunday after Easter in St. John's Church, the Rector and Mr. Barker said Morning Prayer and I preached, confirmed twenty-four persons and celebrated; little imagining that the Parish and the Diocese were so soon to lose Mr. Norton, whose record is a remarkable record in the sum of results accomplished, spiritually and materially. In the evening in St. Paul's Church, Troy, the Rev. Dr. Harison said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed eighteen persons.

April 5. In the evening in St. Luke's Church, Catskill, the Rev. Mr. Weeks said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed nineteen persons.

April 6. I confirmed in private two persons from Trinity Church, Albany; I licensed as Lay Reader, Mr. S. Stanley Searing, under the Rev. W. C. Prout, at Granville.

April 9. I presided at a meeting of the Board of Missions in the Cathedral Chapter Room. I feel bound to say here, that I greatly hope that nominated members of the Board of Missions will this year decline to be elected, unless they are satisfied of their intention and ability to attend the meetings of the Board.

April 18. I preached in St. John's Church, Washington.

April 25. Fourth Sunday after Easter. In the afternoon in St. Luke's Church, Troy, the Rev. Messrs. Wasson and Caird said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed eight persons. In the evening in the Free Church of the Ascension, Troy, the Rev. Mr. Caird said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed twelve persons.

May 2. In the afternoon in Trinity Church, Lansingburgh, the Rev. Messrs. Hall and Thompson said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed ten persons. At night in St. Mark's Church, Green Island, the Rector said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed seventeen persons. It was a great satisfaction to find here not only the orderly and admirable service, the large class, but also the provision, due, I imagine, largely to the Rector, of suitable Sunday-school rooms.

May 4. In St. Luke's Church, Mechanicville, the Rev. Messrs. Stubbs and Delafield said Morning Prayer, and I preached and celebrated. Mr. Stubbs, after many years of patient endurance and faithful service, resigned the Parish at my suggestion, after a long consultation with the Vestry. As often happens, I could not fault either the Vestry or the Rector. But the separation was absolutely necessary to the life of a harassed priest, and to the quiet of the Parish. I gave up my Stillwater appointments owing to illness in the village, which would have made a congregation impossible.

May 9. Sunday after the Ascension Day. In the evening, in the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Stockport, the Rev. Messrs. Fisher



and Reynolds said Evening Prayer and I confirmed ten persons (one being confirmed in private).

May 10. In St. Paul's Church, Kinderhook, the Rev. Dr. Coxe and Messrs. Fisher and Reynolds said Morning Prayer; I preached and confirmed eleven persons and celebrated the Holy Communion. After the service I blessed the new font, a lovely and beautiful memorial of the good woman, Catharine Johnson, of whom I have spoken elsewhere. In the evening in St. Barnabas' Chapel, Stottville, the Rev. Messrs. Tebbetts and Wm. M. Cook said Evening Prayer, Messrs. Fisher and Reynolds being present, and I preached and confirmed ten persons.

May 11. In St. Luke's Church, Clermont, I preached and celebrated. The service was forlorn enough. The faithful few are slowly fading away. Since my visit I have made arrangements for summer services there, the former missionary, Mr. Wilson, undertaking to care for them. The pleasure of the visit was in the going there and coming away, in pleasant company and behind a pair of horses that more than "kept pace with my expectancy;" and still more in the gracious welcome of two dear and venerable friends, whose patient passing down the gentlest declivity of life is beautiful to see. On my way I stopped at Philmont, one of the points we ought to occupy; and in the evening in St. John's, Copake, the Rev. Canon Fulcher said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed two persons. This is another anxious place, and where we shall be wiser to do something, or to stop "playing church." A now and then service in the Summer, and the Church closed in winter for lack of a stove; a Sunday-school by jerks; continual changes, and local difficulties combined with them, have not tended to strengthen the Church here.

May 12. I presided at the meeting of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary in New York.

May 16. Whitsun Day, in the afternoon in the Church of the Holy Cross, Troy, the Rev. Dr. Tucker and I sang the service, Dr. Harison reading the lessons, and I preached and confirmed twenty-five persons. In the evening in St. Paul's Free Chapel, Troy, the Rev. Drs. Williams and Tucker sang Evensong, and I preached and confirmed five persons.

May 18. In the afternoon in Trinity Church, Granville, the Rev. Messrs. Prout and Houghton said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed two persons; and at night in the Chapel of the North Granville Mission, the Rev. Messrs. Prout, Houghton, J. E. Hall, and Randall of Vermont, said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed five persons.

The four following days were spent with the candidates for ordination, partly in examination and partly in spiritual preparation and instruction. The examination was conducted in my pres-

ence by the Chancellor and Examining Chaplains Harison and Irish, Dr. Reese and Canon Fulcher kindly assisting. The daily communions, and the long hours together, the talks and teaching and praying, bind Bishop and candidate together in a way that is helpful for our after relations, and make me more than ever impatient of the changes which take out of the Diocese men whom I know, and to whom the tone of administration in the Diocese is familiar and natural.

May 23. Trinity Sunday. In St. Paul's Church, Albany, the Rector, the Rev. Canon Van Rensselaer, and the Rev. Messrs. Graniss, and Porter of Rhode Island, being present; the Rev. Mr. Neide preached the sermon, and I ordered Deacons, Mr. John Brewster Hubbs, Mr. Frederick James Bassett, Mr. Jacob Streibert, Jr., presented by the Rev. Dr. Reese, under whose ministry these young men have been trained; Mr. John Prout, presented by his brother, the Rev. W. C. Prout, and Mr. Robert Howland Neide, presented by his Father. Two of the ordained are the sons of Priests who give *the double*, themselves and what is dearest of them, to the Lord. And Mr. Prout is the third son of a faithful and beloved Priest, once in the Diocese—in God's Paradise now—whom I have had the pleasure of ordaining to the sacred ministry. At night in the Free Church of the Epiphany, Bath, the Rev. Dr. Battershall and Mr. Temple said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed twenty-four persons. I am yearly more and more surprised at the steady growth and gaining strength of this work; growing and gaining in all best spiritual ways, as much as in numbers.

May 25. In St. Timothy's Church, Westford, the Rev. Messrs. Snyder and Hobbie said Evening Prayer (the Rev. Daniel Allen being present), and I preached and confirmed five persons. I was glad to meet Allen here, who after fighting bravely for years with the insidious disease sapping his life away, had come back to the place where I first knew him, in the flush of his young hope and strength. He has passed away since then, to rest and reward early and yet hardly won. And though not connected at last with this Diocese, I always associate him with his mother's home in this little parish at Westford, feeble and small, and always to be so; and yet to be honored as having given three men to the sacred ministry, one of whom with "honor in his own country," still serves this little flock. The congregation filled the Church, which has been greatly improved in its interior arrangements.

May 27. In the Cathedral Chapel, I confirmed one person from Trinity Parish, West Troy.

May 28. In the evening in St. John's Church, Cohoes, the Rector said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed twenty-one persons.

May 29. In the evening in Christ Church, Schenectady, the Rev. Drs. Payne and Potter said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed nine persons. The Rector, Mr. Rogers was present, who has since left the Diocese, leaving behind him only regrets at his loss, and permanent evidences of a faithful and successful ministry.

May 30. First Sunday after Trinity. In St. George's Church, Schenectady, the Rev. Dr. Payne said Morning Prayer, and I preached, confirmed thirteen persons and celebrated. In the evening in St. Ann's Church, Amsterdam, the Rev. Mr. Irish said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed sixteen persons. The women of the Parish here, as everywhere, its chief support, have admirably improved the Church, which must, however, be enlarged if it is to keep pace with the energetic administration of the Rector.

May 31. Unfortunately for us, Decoration Day. In the Holy Cross Chapel, Fort Plain, the Rev. Mr. Irish said Morning Prayer, and I preached and baptized a child. In the afternoon, in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Canajoharie, I preached; and at night, in Zion Church, Fonda, Mr. Irish said Evening Prayer and I preached. The Missions were vacant, and I was indebted to Mr. Irish's kindness for his presence with me all day.

June 1. In St. John's Church, Johnstown, the Rev. Dr. Harison and Mr. Neide said morning prayer, early. At 10:30 I preached and ordered Deacon the Rev. Charles Carroll Edmunds, Jr., presented by his father; and advanced to the Priesthood the Rev. Edwin Ruthven Armstrong, presented by the Rev. Mr. Irish. The Priests joining in the laying on of hands were the Rev. Drs. Payne and Harison, and Messrs. Edmunds, Neide, Irish and Walker. I confirmed five persons, addressed them and celebrated. It was a service full of tenderness in every way, as one remembers the "prophecies that had gone before" upon the newly-ordained Deacon; and as I recalled, before the beautiful memorials of his life, dear Van Voast, ordained here to the Priesthood and carried hence to his resting place. It was as though Edmunds was ordained "for the dead." The children's choir was a great addition to the service.

The examinations at St. Agnes occupied the rest of the week and were in all points creditable and satisfactory.

June 6. In the Cathedral I preached and celebrated. The graduating class were all, as usual, together at the Holy Communion, and I was glad that they could go out with the comfort of the Collect for the week "keep them under the protection of thy good providence." Two more days of examination brought round the two days given up, this year, to the closing exercises of the School—the Graduates' Reunion and the graduating day. Eighty, of our one hundred and fifty graduates, came back to us and brought great pleasure and brightness back with them to the School and to me. The record of the day is already ~~in~~ in your hands. It certainly was no small tribute to the hold the

School, has that so many came from so far. And as I renewed the memories of their life here, and sent the new class out with them into the world, I felt, not unduly I trust, proud of the children, glad and grateful for them, and ready to take up again the load of care and responsibility, whose results are certainly a repayment, as God has blessed them so abundantly.

June 15. In the Cathedral Chapel I confirmed one person from the North Granville Mission, and afterward I delivered the Address and the Diplomas, and gave my benediction, to the graduates of 1880, in the presence of a large number of the clergy and of the friends of the School.

June 12. After a beautiful drive, in the Arch-Deacon's good company, from Schenectady, in St. Paul's Church, Charlton, the Rev. Mr. Timlow and Dr. Payne said Morning Prayer, I preached, confirmed two persons, and celebrated. In the afternoon in Calvary Church, Burnt Hills, the Rev. Mr. Timlow said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed two persons. The reunited parishes are beginning already, under the faithful ministry of the new Rector, to show the value of his work.

June 13, A. M. Third Sunday after Trinity. In Christ Church Ballston Spa, Mr. Delafield said Morning Prayer and I preached, confirmed twenty-five persons and celebrated. In the afternoon, in St. John's Chapel, East Line, Mr. Delafield said Evening Prayer, and I preached, confirmed six persons; and afterward I said a short service of benediction in the new Clergy House. It is an admirable and convenient building; and the interest of the people holds and increases in the work. At night in Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, the Rev. Dr. Carey said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed forty persons.

June 14. In St. Stephen's Church, Schuylerville, in the morning the Rev. Drs. Dean and Carey said Morning Prayer, and I preached, confirmed six persons and celebrated. In the afternoon in Greenwich, I met the Vestry for a short consultation upon prospects and plans; and at night in St. Luke's Church, Cambridge, the Rev. Messrs. Trevett and Houghton and Dr. Dean said evening prayer, and I preached and confirmed three persons. Since then I am sorry to have lost Mr. Trevett from the Diocese; and very glad to have gained at Greenwich the Rev. Mr. Windsor, who has thrown himself with energetic devotion into building the Church and building up the congregation, at Greenwich. If the effort now making, be successful, as I earnestly trust, then the old long ago hope of "Union Village," long dead, will revive into something like success and strength. And if anybody can make it successful, the present Rector will.

June 15, A. M. In the Church of the Messiah, Glens Falls, the Rev. Messrs. Olin and Cookson and Dr. Van Rensselaer said Morning Prayer

and I preached, confirmed thirteen persons (three in private) and celebrated; and at night in Zion Church, Sandy Hill, the Rev. Messrs. Whittemore and Cookson said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed nine persons.

June 16. In St. James' Church, Lake George, the Rev. Messrs. Lancaster and Ogden said Morning Prayer and I preached and celebrated. And in the afternoon in the Church of St. Sacrament, Bolton, the Rev. Messrs. Lancaster and Ogden said Evening Prayer and I preached.

June 17. In the evening in the Church of the Holy Cross, Warrensburgh, the Rev. Messrs. Ogden and Lancaster said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed nine persons. I was obliged, by illness, to suspend my visitations here and return home.

June 19. I licensed as Lay Readers, Mr. Olin Hallock in St. Paul's Church, Keeseville, and Dr. George C. Shattuck in St. John's, Champlain.

July 4 and 11. I preached in Trinity Chapel, Sharon Springs, whither I went in search of health, and found great refreshment and pleasure.

July 13. Eighth Sunday after Trinity. In the Chapel of All Saints Cathedral, I ordered Deacon Mr. Charles David Flagler, and advanced to the Priesthood the Rev. Hobart Clarence Brayton, both presented by the Rev. Mr. Lancaster, who united with Canon Chapman in the laying on of hands. In the afternoon in the Cathedral Chapel, I confirmed one person.

July 19. In the Church of the Holy Cross, Ticonderoga, the Rev. Messrs. Wm. H. Cook, Wm. Mason Cook and Woodbridge said Evening Prayer, and I confirmed two persons and addressed them. At night in St. Paul's Church, Keeseville, I preached and confirmed six persons.

July 20. In St. James' Church, Ausable Forks, the Rev. Mr. Bragdon said Morning Prayer and I confirmed sixteen persons and addressed them.

July 21. In St. John's Church, Champlain, with the Rev. Mr. McElroy and Dr. Howard, I preached and celebrated. In the evening in Christ Church, Rouses Point, the Rev. Mr. McElroy and Dr. Howard said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed eight persons.

July 22. In the morning in St. Mark's Church, West Bangor, the Rev. Mr. Savage said Morning Prayer and I preached, confirmed seven persons, and advanced to the Priesthood the Rev. Norman Hammond Burnham presented by the Rev. J. B. Pitman, the Rev. Messrs. McElroy and Savage uniting in the laying on of hands. I was compelled again to give up work and return home, under the urgency of medical advice.

July 25. Ninth Sunday after Trinity, in St. Mark's Church, Hoosick Falls. I preached in the morning, and in the afternoon I baptized the infant child of the Assistant Minister.

Aug. 12. The Rev. Dr. Howard, at my request, laid the corner-stone of the new St. Andrew's Church, Norwood. During August I cele-

brated and preached every Sunday to a small congregation, of visitors *in part*, but chiefly of the people living near, in North East Harbor, Maine.

Sept. 9. In Essex, owing to the failure of letters, I made a visitation pleasant personally, but officially profitless, as the Church was undergoing repairs, and could not be used. In the evening, in Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, the Rev. Mr. Smyth said Evening Prayer and I preached and confirmed four persons.

Sept. 10. After a quick drive of thirty-five miles from Point of Rocks, under the good guidance of Mr. King, and yet missing the kindly companionship of old days, I came to Saranac Lake, where, in the Church of the Beloved Physician, I preached and confirmed fifteen persons. The Church was exquisitely decorated, and very lovely, with some marked improvements inside. The service has greatly improved, and the class, entirely from the people of the neighborhood, tells its own story of Mr. Locke's faithfulness and singular adaptation to the work. I passed St. Regis and its dear Church, unwillingly from lack of time, and because there was no class to be confirmed. The Bloomingdale Chapel is to be built. In the evening I went through the Lower Saranac and Round Lake and spent the night at Bartlett's. This is a nucleus from which, through Mrs. Bartlett's energy and devotion, no little churchly interest has gone out.

Sept. 11. I did what I believe was never done here before, in making a fifty-six miles' journey, with all the difficulties of low water to contend with, between half-past six in the morning and ten at night. The only hard part of it was the guides' work, and hard as it was, they did it cheerfully and well. We had two boats, Mr. Locke being with me, and through the glory of a superb September day, rowing or rather being rowed, and walking over the carries, we went through the Upper Saranac and up the Raquette river to the Falls, and through Long Lake and Forked Lake to Mr. Durant's Pine Knot Camp in the beautiful Raquette Lake — *the* lake I think of the Adirondack chain. The sunset on Forked Lake, with the oxbow mountain lying clear against the crimson sky and doubled in the crimson water, the windings of the river, in the silence of the wilderness and between the banks on which the trees drooped to the edge, with the autumn colors just beginning to glow among the green, the Raquette in the moonlight, and the cheerful welcome of camps and camp fires along the shores, and the crowning welcome at Mr. Durant's camp, made a memorable day whose memories are most delightful.

Sept. 12. Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity. I consecrated the Church of the Good Shepherd, on the island of St. Hubert, in Raquette lake. The Church is thoroughly picturesque and in entire harmony with its natural surroundings. It is most absolutely conformed to the true description of the church of Christ as built upon *Rock*, and "as thrust



out a little from the land." The decorations were lovely, the service spirited and impressive, and every thing complete. It is another mile-point of our missionary march into the wilderness, which God lets us make, in spite of widespread diocesan indifference; due, as in other instances, under Him, to the active and liberal interest of a few individuals, of whom Mr. Wm. W. Durant and Mrs. Frank Stott, with their families, are the chief. The Rev. Mr. Sparks of Brooklyn did a good work last Summer here in holding services, which are warmly appreciated by the visitors, and by the guides, a noble, manly, teachable body of men whom I was glad to see in goodly numbers at the Consecration service. As yet this is a post where services will probably only be held in the Summer; and therefore no mission stipend is asked or would be given. But it has a growing importance in the rapidly increasing number of summer people who are drawn here, and the time will come, I believe, when it will be a permanent centre of local influence. At the service the Rev. Mr. Locke read the instrument of donation, and the Rev. Chancellor Dean the sentence of consecration; I preached and celebrated. The return home was somewhat adventurous, but very skilful pilotage brought us through the devious, little Marion river, and the blind outlets of the smaller lakes, to the American House, on Blue Mountain lake, about midnight. The late hour did not prevent a most hospitable reception from the good church people who keep the hotel. And after a swift and comfortable five hours' drive, the next day, through a welcome rain, I came to North Creek, still under the kind care of Mr. Durant's family; and so safely home, with a feeling of intense thankfulness, that I was really well enough to be at work again.

September 15. In the Cathedral Chapel I admitted Sister Eliza a Sister Probationer in the Sisterhood of the Holy Child Jesus, and celebrated. The School opened to-day with excellent promise, which has been fulfilled by a full and useful term; shadowed by the death in the house a few weeks later of a very dear child; which great sorrow was softened to us, by the sublime resignation of those to whom it came more closely home, and by the testimony, borne chiefly by the sorrowing parents, to the faithful tenderness of nursing and care which was unavailing to avert, but able to soothe the sad issue of the illness, not, I am glad to say, contracted here.

September 16. In St. Paul's Church, Salem, the Rev. Messrs. Houghton, Prout and Stubbs being present, I preached, confirmed four persons and celebrated. In the afternoon I blessed the new transept and tower of the Church, and spent much time among the children and people of this unique Parish. The park, the fountain, the aquarium and the new Parish house are admirable and valuable additions, and they are gifts to the Village really, which enjoys and

sermon, the Church being exquisitely decorated with every variety of the fruits of the earth. I am, I confess, a little doubtful of this service in one sense, that it takes the edge off Thanksgiving day. *But* since we have no particular interest in the arrival of the ship load of stores that saved the Plymouth colony from starvation, and since their descendants outdo us in keeping the Christmas Feast, I cannot see why we should not put our Thanksgiving day nearer the time when the harvests are brought home. As it stands now, our short lived gratitude has largely forgotten the ingathering, and the gratitude is a little late, like the *eleven o'clock* thanksgiving to God, for having brought us to *the beginning* of the day.

September 18. In the Cathedral Chapel I confirmed five persons, four from St. Luke's, Middleburgh, the Rector finding it more convenient to bring them here, and one from St. Stephen's, Annandale. I had the great pleasure to-day of welcoming to my house, where they found quick and permanent access to all our hearts, the venerable Bishop of Edinboro' and Mr. F. A. White, of London, Treasurer of the French Committee of the Anglo-Continental Society. The Bishop preached the next day in the Cathedral; and we had many days here, and at Lake George and in New York, of careful talk about the Continental movements for Reform, especially in France, and of the sweet counsel that men take together, who "walk in the House of God as friends."

September 26. In the Cathedral, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Herzog, first Bishop of the Catholic Christian Church of Switzerland, was with me, reading the Gospel, administering the Chalice and pronouncing the benediction. I had much intercourse, thank God, also with him, and I make bold to say that no young man throughout the Catholic Church has done, in our century at least, a work of such commanding consequence and power, as his preparation of the Swiss Liturgy. Brave, intellectual, spiritually minded, simple and true hearted, I found him, here and everywhere, as companion and counselor, one, whose remembrance will *not* be as that of "the guest that tarries but a day."

September 28. I organized Christ Mission, Gloversville.

September 29. In St. James' Church, Fort Edward, the Rev. Mr. Cookson and Olin said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed ten persons. The Church is to be greatly benefited by the addition of a really good organ, the gift of its chief benefactor.

October 6. I was in my place at the opening service of the General Convention in St. George's Church, New York, whose chief feature was the presence, in the Sanctuary, of the Bishop of Edinboro and Bishop Herzog acting as Gospeller and Epistler to the venerable presiding Bishop. I hope the public opinion of the Church will sooner or later (I hope sooner) compel the abandonment of the unimpressive tediousness of this service. More than at any other time, with "the great company" of communicants, the *service* ought to be divided;



and I take leave to say the *Communion office* ought *not* to be ; for nothing so much distracts devotion, disturbs the beauty of the Liturgy, and destroys the unity of the solemn act of Consecration.

From that day until the closing service in the Church of the Holy Trinity, on Wednesday evening, October 27, I was able to be in my place, at and throughout every session of the House of Bishops. I preached on Sunday, October 10, in the morning at Trinity, Bishop Herzog celebrating; and in the afternoon at St. Thomas', New York; on Sunday, 17th, in the Cathedral in Albany; on the 23d, to a congregation of women workers in St. Ann's Church, New York; and on Sunday, 24th, in the morning, in the Church of the Redeemer, and at night in St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn; and on Thursday, October 28, I celebrated and preached in the Chapel of St. Barnabas' House, New York.

October 21. I licensed Mr. Edward Dudley Tibbits a Lay Reader at Hoosick.

October 31. I lighted our hallowe'en fire on the St. Agnes' School-room hearth, at night, with the usual service of this pleasant anniversary.

November 7. Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity; in the morning I preached and celebrated in the Church of the Advent, in Boston.

Nov. 11. In the morning in St. Mark's Church, Malone, the Rev. Messrs. Pitman, Howard and McElroy said Morning Prayer, and I preached and confirmed four persons. In the afternoon in the hall at Norwood, the Rev. Messrs. Savage, Howard and McElroy said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed three persons. It was a great thing to find the walls of the new Church up to the water-table. The situation seemed well chosen, and the work substantially and well done. May God prosper it to completion. So far the people have been unaided, and they have done all they can, alone. I commend their *real need* to the generous assistance of their neighbors. I feel really as if the stones in the walls made the monument of dear old Mr. Raymond's grave. At night in Trinity Church, Potsdam, the Rev. Dr. Howard and Messrs. McElroy and Savage said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed seventeen persons. There were emphatic evidences in this service, of the best sort of growth and gain in the Parish.

Nov. 12. After an eleven miles' successful contest with incomparable mud, which did not disconcert Mr. Clarkson's patient courage, though he had to drive the distance back again, I came to Morley in good season. In spite of every thing, the lovely Chapel was full, and I preached and confirmed seven persons and celebrated, the Rev. Mr. Olmsted having said the Litany. In the evening in Grace Church, Canton, the Rev. Messrs. Pearce, Rich, Olmsted and McElroy, and the Rev. Dr. Howard, being present, I preached and confirmed one

person, a young boy, whose courage of purpose gave good promise of the man he is to be. And the next morning, in the same Church, at a service redolent with blessed memories, churchly and personal, I blessed the memorial Altar and celebrated, assisted by the Archdeacon and Mr. Pearce, Dr. Howard, Mr. Olmsted and Mr. McElroy being present. In the evening in Trinity Church, Gouverneur, the Rev. Dr. Bostwick and Mr. Pearce said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed three persons. Strange as it seemed to find the dear Doctor here, the wisdom of his appointment is abundantly justified, by the oil which his mere presence pours upon the troubled waters of this sorely tried, and greatly to be honoured Parish.

Nov. 14. Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity. In the morning in St. John's Church, Ogdensburg, the Rev. Dr. Morrison and Mr. Finlay being present, I preached, confirmed twenty-five persons and celebrated. There is no nobler or more stirring congregation in the Diocese than that gathered here, in this outpost, which grows stronger every year. In the afternoon in Christ Church, Morristown, the Rev. Mr. Finlay and the Archdeacon said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed thirteen persons (one in private). The service was very interesting and very touching, and while it will be a good while before "this little one becomes a thousand," yet its progress has been never so satisfactory, as under Mr. Finlay's administration.

Nov. 15. In Christ Church, Herkimer, the Rev. Mr. Walker said Evening Prayer, I preached and confirmed twenty-seven persons, and one afterward in private in the town of Mohawk; whence a good proportion of the class came, and where Mr. Walker's missionary work is as successful, as his parochial work in Herkimer.

Nov. 16. In the morning in St. Augustine's Church, Ilion, the Rev. Messrs. Armstrong, Walker, and Schultze of the Central Diocese, said Morning Prayer, and I preached, confirmed eight persons and celebrated. The service was admirable, and the congregation large. A small but beautiful silver service for the Altar, the gift of several persons, in memory of their dead, was offered at my visitation. At night in Immanuel Church, Little Falls, the Rev. Messrs. Arnold and Walker said Evening Prayer, and I preached and confirmed thirteen persons. I am glad to welcome the new Rector here, the weapons of whose warfare have evidently been mighty, by the blessing of God, to the pulling down of strongholds.

Nov. 19. The Rev. Dr. Harison, at my request, laid the cornerstone of St. James' Chapel, Milton Centre.

Nov. 26. In the morning in Grace Church, Waterford, I baptized the Rector's infant son. From this hour on, I have been disabled from all public duty, not officiating until Christmas day, when I was thankful to be out once more.

Dec. 2. I was all day in counsel with the Standing Committee in relation to the organization of a new parish in Troy. Arrangements were made which will, I trust, inure to the best interests of the Church. But meanwhile there is disappointment in my decision. I have no desire to argue the case here, and I speak quite as much of other instances, as of this. Indeed this is hardly an instance in point. For in Troy, the Mission was really a Chapel,—as in old Trinity, New York,—of the Parish Church. But I do desire to put myself squarely on the general record, as opposed always and everywhere to the organization of new Parishes, when they are not absolutely needed and evidently able to care for themselves. I do not look upon a *Mission* as an imperfect, inchoate, and rather contemptible thing; nor as a Parish in embryo. A Mission is a complete thing, and it is a very churchly thing, older and in certain ways more ecclesiastical, and in very many instances safer and better, than a Parish. Where there are, and are likely to be, Churchmen of interest, intelligence and sufficient means to compose a Vestry, the Parish is rightly and strongly organized. But it is utterly unsuitable where men are dragged in, often from remote distances, or chosen from other religious bodies, or with no religion, just to fill up the requisite number to organize. I hold this opinion strongly, and strangely perhaps to those who consider that the three orders of divine appointment are Vestrymen, Wardens and a minister; the minister being the inferior. And I hold it, as the result of experience in this Diocese, in which my visitation tracks are strewn with the wrecks and ruins of premature parochial organizations, whose failure has been a discouragement to Christian work and a discredit to the Christian name. Theoretically and experimentally I do not believe in the multiplication of small and struggling parishes.

The detailed record of my acts represents naturally smaller results, which are due simply to my own inability to visit twenty-six of the Parishes, and eight of the Missions. It is as follows: Confirmed (including seven persons confirmed in St. John's, Delhi, by the Bishop of Utah), 866; Celebrations of the Holy Communion, 79; Sermons, 129; Addresses, 16; Clergy died, 1; Clergy dismissed, 14; Clergy received, 7; Clergy added by ordination, 7; Present number of Clergy: Bishop, 1; Priests, 103; Deacons, 14; total, 118. Priests ordained, 4; Deacons ordained, 8; Ordinations, 12; Postulants admitted, 4; Total Postulants, 10; Candidates for Deacon's Order, admitted, 3; for Priest's Order, 3; total, 6; Candidates for Deacon's Order, 8; for Priest's Order, 13; total Candidates for Holy Orders, 15; Candidates transferred, 1; Licensed as Lay Readers, 9; Churches Consecrated, 1; Missions organized, 2; Corner-stones laid, 2; Buildings blessed, 2; Baptisms, Infants, 3; Marriages, 2; Burials, 3; Inhibition, 1; Notices of Depositions received, 7; Notices of Depositions withdrawn, 2.

I have attended the meeting of the General Convention, the regular meetings of the Board of Missions, the Cathedral Chapter, the Trustees of the Corning Foundation, and the Managers of the Child's Hospital, two meetings of the Trustees of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, one meeting of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and meetings of various Committees of the General Convention, and one meeting of the General Chapter of the Cathedral.

ORDINATIONS.

Feb. 15. The Rev. Wm. Morris Barker, to the Priesthood, in St. John's Church, Troy.

May 10. Frederick Thompson, to the Diaconate, by the Bishop of Connecticut, acting for me.

May 23. John Brewster Hubbs, Frederick James Bassett, Jacob Streibert, Jr., John Prout, Robert Howland Neide, to the Diaconate in St. Paul's Church, Albany.

June 1. Charles Carroll Edmunds, Jr., to the Diaconate, and the Rev. Edwin Ruthven Armstrong, to the Priesthood, in St. John's Church, Johnstown.

July 18. Charles David Flagler, to the Diaconate, and the Rev. Hobart Clarence Brayton, to the Priesthood, in the Cathedral Chapel.

July 22. The Rev. Norman Hammond Burnham, to the Priesthood, in St. Mark's Church, West Bangor.

CLERGYMEN RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES.

Feb. 13. The Rev. Arthur Herbert Locke, from the Diocese of Maine.

March 31. The Rev. Heman R. Timlow, from the Diocese of Connecticut.

April 9. The Rev. Zachary T. Savage, from the Diocese of New Jersey.

April 26. The Rev. John Vaughan Lewis, D. D., from the Diocese of Maryland.

July 19. The Rev. A. J. Arnold, from the Diocese of New York.

July 30. The Rev. John M. Windsor, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

Oct. 18. The Rev. Frederick H. T. Horsfield, from the Diocese of Massachusetts.

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Jan. 8. The Rev. C. M. Nickerson, for the Diocese of Western New York.

CLERGYMEN DISMISSED TO OTHER DIOCESES.

Feb. 2. The Rev. Augustus Prime, to the Diocese of Massachusetts.

April 1. The Rev. Albert Danker, to the Diocese of Central New York.

April 16. The Rev. Edwin B. Russell, to the Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

May 6. The Rev. E. Folsom Baker, to the Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

May 10. The Rev. Wm. M. Picksley, to the Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

May 26. The Rev. Benjamin T. Hall, to the Diocese of Indiana.

Aug. 30. The Rev. Frank L. Norton, to the Diocese of Maryland.

Sept. 20. The Rev. James B. Wasson, to the Diocese of Massachusetts.

Sept. 23. The Rev. John H. Rogers, to the Diocese of Connecticut.

Sept. 25. The Rev. Wm. M. Barker, to the Diocese of Maryland.

Oct. 1. The Rev. Fred. O. Granniss, to the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

Dec. 7. The Rev. L. F. Morris, to the Diocese of Connecticut.

#### A. D. 1881.

Jan. 7. The Rev. F. B. Crozier, to the Diocese of Easton.

Jan. 10. The Rev. Byron J. Hall, to the Diocese of Connecticut.

#### CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDER, A. D. 1876.

The Rev. Newton Dexter.

#### A. D. 1878.

Jan. 22. The Rev. John Prout, the Rev. C. C. Edmunds, Jr.

Sept. 11. The Rev. Jacob Streibert, Jr.

#### A. D. 1879.

Jan. 6. The Rev. Frederick James Bassett.

Jan. 30. The Rev. John Brewster Hubbs.

Feb. 28. Mr. Wm. Booth Guion, Mr. Wm. Densmore Maxon, Mr. Wm. Everett Johnson.

Nov. 26. Mr. Daniel Duroc.

#### A. D. 1880.

Jan. 16. The Rev. Robert H. Neide.

Jan. 17. The Rev. Charles D. Flagler.

May 19. Mr. Arthur B. Morehouse.

#### MISSIONS ORGANIZED.

Feb. 4. Of the Good Shepherd, Raquette Lake.

Sept. 25. Christ Mission, Gloversville.

#### CORNER-STONES LAID.

Aug. 12. St. Andrew's, Norwood, by the Rev. Dr. Howard.

Aug. 12. St. James' Chapel, Milton Centre, by the Rev. Dr. Harison.

CHURCH CONSECRATED.

Sept. 12. Church of the Good Shepherd, Island of St. Hubert, Raquette Lake.

CANDIDATE DISMISSED TO OTHER DIOCESE.

March 8. Mr. Townend G. Jackson, to the Diocese of Central New York.

POSTULANTS, 1875.

April 1. Olin Hallock.

May 4. J. R. Arrowsmith.

A. D. 1876.

Oct. 16. James Hawley.

A. D. 1877.

March 1. H. H. Metcalf.

Nov. 1. John D. Kennedy.

A. D. 1879.

May 31. Joseph Jameson, Jerome Eddy Newkirk, Normand Smith Boardman.

June 1. Charles A. Kafka.

Sept. 6. George L. Neide, Jr.

A. D. 1880.

April 26. Edmund A. Wasson.

July 30. James J. Olmstead.

Dec. 9. George H. Taylor.

Dec. 9. Henry L. Teller.

CANDIDATES FOR DEACON'S ORDER, A. D. 1878.

July 20. Mr. Wm. Dinsmore Maxon, Mr. William B. Guion

Dec. 10. Mr. Arthur B. Morehouse.

A. D. 1879.

May 31. Mr. Wm. Everett Johnson.

Sept. 6. Mr. Harry L. Cawthorne, Mr. Daniel W. Duroc.

Nov. 3. Mr. Walter J. Wicks.

A. D. 1880.

Sept. 27. Dr. Albert C. Bunn, Mr. John E. Bold.

LAY READERS LICENSED.

Feb. 13. Mr. C. Tennant Lee, under the Rev. Dr. Dean, Schuyler-ville.

Feb. 13. Mr. Rollin Porter, under the Rev. Mr. Locke, Saranac Lake.

April 6. Mr. S. Stanley Searing, under the Rev. W. C. Prout, Granville.

April 6. Mr. Olin Hallock, under the Rev. Mr. Bull, Keeseville.

April 6. Dr. George C. Shattuck, under the Rev. Mr. McElroy, Champlain.

April 6. Mr. Edward Dudley Tibbits, under the Rev. John Tibbits, Hoosick.

April 6. Mr. Walter Bradley, under the Rev. Mr. Delafield, East Line.

April 6. Mr. Charles Nazro, under the Rev. Mr. Delafield, Milton Centre.

Dec. 9. Mr. Charles Temple, under the Rev. Mr. Mulford, Troy.

#### NOTICES OF CLERGY DEPOSED.

Jan. 12, 1880. F. W. Damus, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Alabama.

Jan. 14, 1880. James Chrystal, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Maryland.

March 19, 1880. Charles Edwin Fitz, Deacon, by the Bishop of Maine.

March 28, 1880. Simon Kinzey Boyer, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

May 18, 1880. George W. Morrill, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Kansas.

May 25, 1880. Charles T. Kellogg, Presbyter, by the Bishop of New Jersey.

Sept. 22, 1880. Morris Ashurst Tyng, Presbyter, by the Bishop of New York.

#### DEPOSITIONS REVOKED.

March 2, 1880. Wm. B. Musgrave, Presbyter temporarily, by the Bishop of Long Island.

Dec. 24, 1880. William J. Lynd, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Colorado.

#### INHIBITION.

Dec. 7, 1880. S. Russell Jones, Presbyter, from officiating in the Diocese of Albany.

# APPENDIX.

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## A DECLARATION BY THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

WHEREAS, The Lambeth Conference of 1878 set forth the following declaration, to wit:

“We gladly welcome every effort for reform upon the model of the Primitive Church. We do not demand a rigid uniformity; we deprecate needless divisions; but to those who are drawn to us in the endeavor to free themselves from the yoke of error and superstition, we are ready to offer all help, and such privileges as may be acceptable to them, and are consistent with the maintenance of our principles as enunciated in our formularies;” which declaration rests upon two indisputable historical facts:

1st. That the body calling itself the Holy Roman Church has by the decrees of the Council of Trent in 1563, and by the dogma of the Immaculate Conception in 1854, and by the decree of the Infallibility of the Pope in 1870, imposed upon the consciences of all the members of the National Churches under its sway, as of the faith, to be held as of implicit necessity to salvation, dogmas having no warrant in Holy Scripture or the ancient Creeds, which dogmas are so radically false as to corrupt and defile the faith; and,

2d. That the assumption of a universal Episcopate by the Bishop of Rome, making operative the definition of Papal infallibility, has deprived of its original independence the Episcopal order in the Latin Churches, and substituted for it a Papal Vicariate for the superintendence of Dioceses; while the virtual change of the Divine Constitution of the Church, as founded in the Episcopate, and the other orders into a tridentine consolidation, has destroyed the autonomy, if not the corporate existence of National Churches;

Now, therefore, We Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, assembled in council as Bishops in the Church of God, asserting the principles declared in the Lambeth Conference, and in order to the maintaining of a true unity which must be a unity in the Truth, do hereby affirm that the great primitive rule of the Catholic Church, “*Episcopatus unus est cujus a singulis in solidum pars tenetur*,” imposes upon the Episcopates of all National Churches holding the primitive faith and order, and upon the several Bishops of the same, not the right only, but the duty also of protecting in the holding of that faith, and the recovering of that order, those who by the methods before described have been deprived of both; and,

Further, The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, assembled in council, not meaning to dispute the validity of consecrations by a single consecrator, put on record their conviction that in the organization of Reformed Churches with which we may hope to have communion,



they should follow the teachings of the canons of Nicea, and that when consecration cannot be had by three Bishops of the Province, Episcopal orders should at all events be conferred by three Bishops of National Churches.

Attest :

H. C. POTTER, *Secretary*.

## A PASTORAL LETTER.

ALBANY, N. Y., *December*, 1880.

*My Dear Rev. Brother :*

With this will go to you the Subscription Books arranged by the Secretaries, according to the scheme deliberately and with great unanimity adopted by the two Houses of General Convention, sitting together as the Board of Missions of this Church. I ask you, each and every one, in every Parish and Mission station in this Diocese, to put this to the test at once, by appointing such and so many persons as you shall deem best solicitors and collectors of subscriptions; and, personally, I beg of you, if possible, cordial co-operation with, and if not that, at least a fair trial of, the plan.

\* I show my faith in it by putting upon the same basis the money to be raised for our Diocesan Missions next year, and I ask you to let the same solicitors and collectors take the books together, and get from every individual within your care, his or her subscription for Missions under one or all of the three heads — Foreign, Domestic, Diocesan.

All giving is either for Missions or for Charities, and every giver has the right to feel more interest in, and to give more liberally to, some than other Missions or Charities. But giving to *Missions*, like giving to Charities, in some shape, is every man's *necessity*.

I want to tell you why I approve of this plan for the present distress:

1st. The uncertainty of Missionary income makes the Boards doubtful and anxious, hinders free appropriations, and distresses the Missionaries. *This* will enable those in authority to know just how much they can count on for their yearly need.

2d. The uneven distribution of giving is a shame and a wrong. Some people are eased by others being burthened. For instance, I am ashamed to find that only seventy-three Parishes in this Diocese last year gave *anything* to either Foreign or Domestic Missions. Of those not giving, some are the dead places and the weak ones. But the amount of the giving in other places is painfully small. This year I hope there will not be *one* live place upon the list of the non-givers.

3dly. I believe that, with this amount pledged and secured, the Free Churches will be safer with offerings for their own support; local demands will be more easily met; Diocesan claims will be better discharged; the great sweep of Charities — Diocesan, Parochial or personal — will be more generously supported; there will be room enough for the various appeals that constantly occur, all offertories being free from any charge for *Missions*, unless in case of unusual appeal.

I am free to say that I agree in the abstract with all the objections that can possibly be urged against this plan. It is for "the present distress." It is because of the "hardness of our hearts." But I commend this as *practical*, and

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\* Indorsed since by the Board of Missions and the Convention of the Diocese.

not, in any principle, wrong. And I urge its instant and uniform adoption throughout the Diocese.

There are hops grown a good deal in this Diocese, and the first outlook of a hop field in the Spring is ugly and unpromising, with rough, bare poles and trel-lises of twine. But in September there is a different story and a gracious result. If we can cover up the commonness and humanness of this *plan* with the luxurious vine of Missionary interest, and enrich that with the fruit of golden gifts, the plan, out of sight, will have done its work; we shall have done our duty; and towards that mighty work of "turning the world upside down," this Diocese will have contributed a little of "the leaven that leaveneth the whole lump."

Your ever-faithful Brother and Friend,

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WM. CROSWELL DOANE.

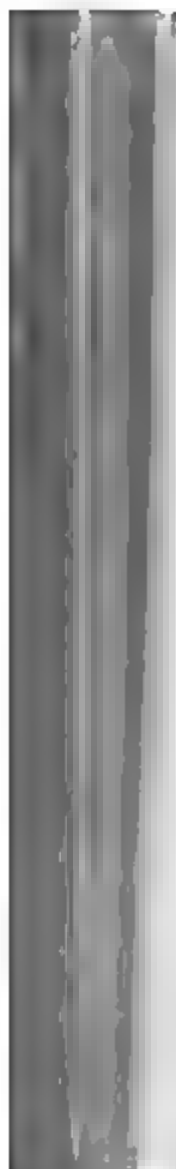


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